## ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION No. 60

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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#### SYNOPSIS

Designates October 27th of each year as "Tree of Life Remembrance Day" in New Jersey.

### CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1	A JOINT RESOLUTION designating October 27th of each year as
2	"Tree of Life Remembrance Day" in New Jersey.
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4	WHEREAS, Tree of Life Synagogue is a synagogue in the Squirrel Hill
5	neighborhood of eastern Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania's second largest
6	city; and
7	WHEREAS, On October 27, 2018, a mass shooting fueled by religious
8	and ethnic animus towards Jewish people occurred at Tree of Life
9	Synagogue; and
10	WHEREAS, The mass shooting unfolded during morning services and a
11	joyous celebration; and
12	WHEREAS, The senseless act of violence resulted in the loss of eleven
13	innocent lives and injury to six others; and
14	WHEREAS, The tragedy and loss of life have shocked and saddened
15	Americans around the country; and
16	WHEREAS, Houses of worship are places of community, solace, and
17	reflection, where no person should feel fear; and
18	WHEREAS, The people of New Jersey share the grief of the families
19	and friends of those who were injured or killed; and
20	WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to designate October 27th of each
21	year as "Tree of Life Remembrance Day" so that we recognize the
22	victims and honor their memories; now, therefore,
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24	<b>BE IT RESOLVED</b> by the Senate and General Assembly of the
25	State of New Jersey:
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27	1. a. October 27th of each year is designated as "Tree of Life
28 20	Remembrance Day" in the State of New Jersey.
29 20	b. The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation calling
30	upon public officials and citizens of this State to observe the day
31	with appropriate activities and programs.
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38	On October 27, 2018, a mass shooting fueled by religious and
38 39	ethnic animus towards Jewish people occurred at Tree of Life
40	Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The senseless act of
41	violence resulted in the loss of eleven innocent lives and injury to
42	six others. The people of New Jersey share the grief of the families
43	and friends of those who were injured or killed. The State of New
44	Jersey should designate October 27th of each year as "Tree of Life
45	Remembrance Day" to recognize the victims and honor their
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