

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

No. 22

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Designates September 11th of each year as "Heroes Day."

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1    **A JOINT RESOLUTION** designating September 11th of each year as  
2       "Heroes Day."  
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4    **WHEREAS**, The attack on the United States on September 11, 2001  
5       resulted in the deaths of thousands of innocent people, injury to  
6       countless others, and the disruption of innumerable lives; and  
7    **WHEREAS**, Victims of this unconscionable act included civilians,  
8       government workers, military personnel, airline passengers and  
9       crew members, police officers, firefighters, and paramedics; and  
10   **WHEREAS**, The events of September 11, 2001 brought to the  
11       forefront the courageous deeds performed by members of the  
12       Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters, and emergency  
13       services personnel, and caused the citizens of the State of New  
14       Jersey to take notice of their acts of heroism; and  
15   **WHEREAS**, Members of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters,  
16       and emergency services personnel throughout the State are called  
17       upon to serve and protect their fellow citizens, acting heroically to  
18       save the lives of others in spite of the clear danger to their own  
19       lives; and  
20   **WHEREAS**, Members of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters,  
21       and emergency services personnel are routinely subjected to  
22       dangerous situations, called upon to work overtime without proper  
23       rest, and spend time away from their families and loves ones; and  
24   **WHEREAS**, Since the terrorist attacks on this Nation on September  
25       11, 2001, members of the Armed Forces, police officers,  
26       firefighters, and emergency services personnel throughout the  
27       State have been called upon to make even greater sacrifices to  
28       ensure the safety and security of Americans; and  
29   **WHEREAS**, It is fitting and proper that the State of New Jersey  
30       recognize September 11th of each year as "Heroes Day," to  
31       salute the contributions of members of the Armed Forces, police  
32       officers, firefighters, and emergency services personnel to the  
33       security and well-being of this State; now, therefore,  
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35       **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*  
36       *State of New Jersey:*  
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38       1.   a. September 11th of each year shall be designated as  
39       "Heroes Day" in New Jersey to salute the contributions of members  
40       of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters, and emergency  
41       services personnel to the security and well-being of this State.  
42       b.   The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation  
43       establishing September 11th of each year as "Heroes Day" and call  
44       upon all citizens of the State to celebrate this day with appropriate  
45       activities and programs.  
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47       2.   This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The attack on the United States on September 11, 2001 resulted in the deaths of thousands of innocent people, injury to countless others, and the disruption of innumerable lives. The events of September 11, 2001 brought to the forefront the courageous deeds performed by members of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters, and emergency services personnel, and caused the citizens of the State of New Jersey to take notice of their acts of heroism.

Members of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters, and emergency services personnel throughout the State are called upon to serve and protect their fellow citizens. They are routinely subjected to dangerous situations and called away from their families and loved ones to save the lives of others in spite of the clear danger to their own lives.

Since the terrorist attacks on this nation on September 11, 2001, members of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters, and emergency services personnel throughout the State have been called upon to make even greater sacrifices to ensure the safety and security of Americans. It is fitting and proper that the State of New Jersey recognize September 11th of each year as "Heroes Day," to salute the contributions of members of the Armed Forces, police officers, firefighters, and emergency services personnel to the security and well-being of this State.