

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 122

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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SYNOPSIS

Honors 100th anniversary of New Jersey State Police.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A SENATE RESOLUTION** honoring the 100th anniversary of the New
2 Jersey State Police.
3
4 **WHEREAS**, For 100 years, the New Jersey State Police (NJSP) have
5 committed to protect, preserve, and safeguard the safety of all
6 citizens of this State; and
7 **WHEREAS**, NJSP were established on March 29, 1921, when Governor
8 Edward I. Edwards signed a law creating the force, and on July 1,
9 1921, Colonel H. Norman Schwarzkopf was appointed the first
10 Superintendent of the State Police; and
11 **WHEREAS**, On December 21, 1921, 81 troopers set out from Trenton
12 on horseback and motorcycles to take up their assignments as New
13 Jersey’s first Statewide police force; and
14 **WHEREAS**, Since the creation of the NJSP, State Troopers have served
15 with great distinction and honor and have exhibited unparalleled
16 professionalism in so many of the nation’s historic investigations
17 and natural disasters such as the Lindbergh kidnapping, the
18 Hindenburg disaster, the Great Atlantic Hurricane, the September
19 11th terrorist attacks, Hurricane Katrina, and Superstorm Sandy;
20 and
21 **WHEREAS**, The NJSP have served as the lead law enforcement
22 agency for major events including the World Cup, Special
23 Olympics, Super Bowl XLVIII, US Open and PGA Golf
24 Tournaments, Papal visits, Presidential events, and foreign
25 dignitary visits; and
26 **WHEREAS**, The NJSP’s history is replete with commendations for
27 innovation and expertise in criminal investigations and technical
28 services, such as the establishment of the nation’s first State Police
29 Underwater Recovery Unit, the Automated Fingerprint
30 Identification System, and the DNA Laboratory; and
31 **WHEREAS**, The emergence of the global COVID-19 pandemic has
32 greatly tested and impacted operations of the NJSP, and its
33 members serve a critical role in the countless mitigation efforts
34 regarding the unprecedented challenges encountered in the response
35 to the ongoing pandemic; and
36 **WHEREAS**, The 4,000 enlisted and civilian members of the NJSP serve
37 with dedication and determination and personify the core values of
38 honor, duty, and fidelity symbolized by the familiar triangle
39 emblem; and
40 **WHEREAS**, Seventy-three troopers have given their lives while in
41 service of the State, and their memories and sacrifice remain etched
42 in the heart of every member of the NJSP and citizen of this great
43 State; now, therefore,
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45 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:*

