SENATE RESOLUTION No. 122

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by: Senator PAUL A. SARLO District 36 (Bergen and Passaic) Senator FRED H. MADDEN, JR. District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)

Co-Sponsored by: Senator Greenstein

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.
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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 Gold
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 Fingerprine
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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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:

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1	1.	This House honors the New Jersey State Police for its 100
2	years	of service, protection, and dedication to the citizens of the
3	State.	
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5	2.	Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State,
6	shall	be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the

Superintendent of the New Jersey State Police.

STATEMENT

This resolution honors the 100th anniversary of the New Jersey State Police (NJSP). Over the past 100 years, the NJSP have provided structure and stability to the citizens of the State of New Jersey. In keeping with their mission, the NJSP have served with honor, duty, and fidelity in the face of many challenges over the years.

Throughout their long and storied history, the NJSP have been a constant symbol of safety to the State, from the routine, day-to-day efforts to keep citizens safe, to serving during high profile historical events and natural disasters. The NJSP have received numerous commendations for work in innovation and technology, and have been credited with the creation of the nation's first State Police Underwater Recovery Unit. The NJSP have provided a critical service to the State during the ongoing global COVID-19 pandemic.

For the past 100 years, the New Jersey State Police have protected, preserved, and safeguarded the safety of all citizens with integrity and professionalism through impartial and courteous law enforcement.