

## ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 121

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblymen DORIA and DiGAETANO

1 AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION urging the President and Congress of the United  
2 States to support the admission of the Republic of Poland to the North  
3 Atlantic Treaty Organization.

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5 WHEREAS, The Republic of Poland is a free, democratic and independent  
6 nation with a long and proud history; and

7 WHEREAS, The North Atlantic Treaty Organization is dedicated to the  
8 preservation of the freedom and security of its member nations; and

9 WHEREAS, The Republic of Poland desires to share in both the benefits and  
10 obligations of NATO in pursuing the development, growth and promotion  
11 of democratic institutions and ensuring free market economic development;  
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13 WHEREAS, Poland recognizes its responsibilities as a democratic nation and  
14 wishes to exercise such responsibilities in concert with members of NATO;  
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16 WHEREAS, The Republic of Poland desires to become part of NATO's efforts  
17 to prevent the extremes of nationalism; and

18 WHEREAS, The security of the United States is dependent upon the stability  
19 of Central Europe; now, therefore,

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21 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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23 1. This House respectfully urges the President of the United States and the  
24 Congress of the United States to support the Republic of Poland's petition for  
25 admission to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and to support the  
26 establishment during 1996 of a timetable for such admission.

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28 2. Duly authenticated copies of this resolution, signed by the Speaker of the  
29 General Assembly and attested by the Clerk thereof, shall be transmitted to  
30 the President of the United States, the Presiding Officer of both branches of  
31 the United States Congress, the Members thereof from the State of New  
32 Jersey and Marek Lesniewski-Laas, the Honorary Consul of the Republic of  
33 Poland.

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STATEMENT

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This resolution urges the President and Congress of the United States to support the petition of the Republic of Poland for admission to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and to support the establishment of a timetable during 1996 for such admission. A democratic and independent country, Poland wishes to share in the benefits and obligations of NATO membership in order to pursue free market economic development and to forestall potential political extremism within its borders.

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Urges President and Congress of the United States to support Poland's application for admission to NATO.

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