

**ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 27**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

**By Assemblywoman QUIGLEY**

- 1 **AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION** honoring the Division of State Police on its 75th  
2 anniversary.  
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- 4 **WHEREAS**, Seventy-five years ago, on March 29, 1921, Governor Edward  
5 I. Edwards signed P.L.1921, c.102, creating and establishing the New  
6 Jersey State Police, and on July 1, 1921 Colonel H. Norman Schwarzkopf  
7 was appointed the first Superintendent of State Police; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, On December 21, 1921, 81 troopers and officers set out from  
9 Trenton on horseback and motorcycles to take up their assignments as  
10 New Jersey's first Statewide police force; and
- 11 **WHEREAS**, Since the creation of the State Police, its members have served  
12 with great distinction and honor, and have exhibited unparalleled  
13 professionalism in so many of New Jersey's historic events, such as the  
14 Hall-Mills murder trial, the Lindbergh kidnapping, the Hindenburg zeppelin  
15 disaster and the Woodbridge train wreck; and
- 16 **WHEREAS**, The State Police's history is replete with commendations for  
17 innovation and expertise in criminal investigations, traffic enforcement and  
18 technical services, such as the establishment of the nation's first State Police  
19 Underwater Recovery Unit, and technological advances including the  
20 Automated Fingerprint Identification System, and the DNA database and  
21 databank, which permits the inclusion of DNA records in the FBI's national  
22 identification index system; and
- 23 **WHEREAS**, The State Police provide effective Statewide enforcement of the  
24 criminal, motor vehicle, marine and alcoholic beverage control laws, direct  
25 and coordinate the vital State Emergency Management program, and  
26 maintain the State Police Museum and Learning Center as a fitting tribute  
27 to the men and women who have served and protected the people of this  
28 great State as State Police troopers and officers; and
- 29 **WHEREAS**, The State Police fearlessly patrol our roadways, including the New  
30 Jersey Turnpike, the nation's busiest limited access

1 nonstop toll road, while increasing the public safety for roadway users; and  
2 **WHEREAS**, The 2,500 State Troopers serve with dedication, determination  
3 and daring, and personify the code of honor, duty and fidelity symbolized  
4 by the familiar triangle emblem; now, therefore,

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

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8 1. This House commemorates the State Police for its 75 years of service,  
9 protection and dedication to the citizens of this fine State, and honors the State  
10 Troopers and Officers for their valuable services and accomplishments.

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12 2. A duly authenticated copy of this resolution, signed by the Speaker of  
13 the General Assembly and attested to by the Clerk of the General Assembly  
14 shall be transmitted to the Superintendent of State Police.

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17 **STATEMENT**

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19 This resolution commemorates the State Police on its 75th anniversary.  
20 The State Police Troopers and Officers serve with honor, duty and fidelity,  
21 and are New Jersey's premiere law enforcement agency. The State Police are  
22 a valuable asset to this State, and deserve to be honored.

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27 Honors State Police on its 75th anniversary.