

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 29

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

By Assemblywoman HECK

1 **AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION** designating the week of January 9 to 15, 1995
2 as "State Autism Awareness Week."
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4 **WHEREAS**, The Autism Society of America is observing "National Autism
5 Week" throughout the United States during the week of January 9 to
6 January 15, 1995; and
7 **WHEREAS**, The Autism Society of America has addressed the problems of
8 children and adults suffering with autism for more than two decades; and
9 **WHEREAS**, The New Jersey State Chapter of the Autism Society of America
10 and its local affiliates currently provide support and assistance to more than
11 12,000 people with autism in the State; and
12 **WHEREAS**, Research has established autism is a disability that has a distinct
13 and separate set of physiologically related characteristics and symptoms
14 making it important that the services provided, both educational and
15 vocational, to those suffering from autism are geared to their specific needs;
16 and
17 **WHEREAS**, This and future generations of children and adults with autism
18 should be assured ample residential, early intervention, 12-month
19 educational, prevocational, vocational, employment and recreation
20 opportunities to help them develop to the fullest of their capabilities; and
21 **WHEREAS**, It is both fitting and proper for the membership of the General
22 Assembly of the State of New Jersey to acknowledge the charitable
23 activities of the New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the
24 Autism Community, Inc. and to help draw public attention to the humane
25 nature and worthiness of their efforts; now, therefore,
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27 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:
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29 1. The week of January 9 to 15, 1995 is designated "State Autism
30 Awareness Week."

1 2. The Governor is respectfully requested to issue a proclamation calling
2 upon public officials and the citizens of this State to observe the week and
3 participate with appropriate activities and programs.

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STATEMENT

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