

P.L. 1996, Joint Resolution No. 4, *approved June 20, 1996*
Senate Joint Resolution No. 15

1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION** permanently designating May 25 as "Children's
2 Memorial Day."

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4 **WHEREAS**, Many of the holidays observed by the citizens of this State
5 pay tribute to specific events or celebrate the accomplishments of
6 certain individuals; and

7 **WHEREAS**, For example, Mother's Day and Father's Day allow
8 individuals to celebrate the special contributions mothers and
9 fathers have made in their lives, while Memorial Day honors the
10 memory of soldiers who lost their lives fighting in armed conflicts;
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, The parents, relatives and friends of children that have
13 died in this State deserve a similar day in which to memorialize
14 them and to remember that although these children did not live long
15 enough to make a lasting contribution to society as a whole, their
16 lives did make a difference to those who knew them; now,
17 therefore,

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19 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
20 *of New Jersey:*

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22 1. May 25 shall be permanently established as "Children's Memorial
23 Day."

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25 2. The Governor shall be requested to issue a proclamation calling
26 upon public officials and citizens of this State to observe the day with
27 appropriate activities and programs.

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29 3. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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32 **STATEMENT**

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34 This joint resolution permanently establishes May 25 as "Children's
35 Memorial Day." The purpose of this day is to allow parents, relatives
36 and friends of children who have died in this State to memorialize
37 them and to remember that although these children did not live long
38 enough to make a lasting contribution to society as a whole, their lives
39 did make a difference to those who knew them.

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