

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 47

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 15, 1997

By Senator LaROSSA

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION designating Chapter 223 of the Laws of 1993  
2 as the "Judge David J. Schroth Act."

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4 WHEREAS, On March 1, 1997, the Honorable David J. Schroth  
5 retired from the Superior Court after sixteen years of service as a  
6 judge; and

7 WHEREAS, Judge Schroth, a native of Trenton, in addition to his  
8 service on the Superior Court, also served as a municipal court  
9 judge and as a judge of the former juvenile and domestic relations  
10 court; and

11 WHEREAS, A graduate of Fordham College and Fordam Law School,  
12 Judge Schroth, dubbed "Maximum Dave" by the press, is best  
13 known for his many years of service on the criminal bench in  
14 Mercer County; and

15 WHEREAS, Judge Schroth publicly expressed his frustration with the  
16 New Jersey Supreme Court's decision in State v. Yarbough, 100  
17 N.J. 627 (1985), which placed limitations on the length of sentences  
18 which could be placed on defendants being sentenced for multiple  
19 offenses; and

20 WHEREAS, On August 5, 1993, Chapter 223 of the Laws of 1993  
21 eliminating the Yarbough limitations on the length of sentences for  
22 defendants convicted of multiple offenses was enacted; and

23 WHEREAS, It is altogether fitting and proper that the legislation  
24 eliminating restrictions on the length of sentences which can be  
25 imposed on defendants convicted of multiple offenses bear the name  
26 of a judge who in his career unstintingly strove to protect the  
27 citizens of New Jersey from violent criminal offenders; now,  
28 therefore,

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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
31 of New Jersey:

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33 1. P.L.1993, c.223, which was approved August 5, 1993, shall be  
34 known and may be cited as the "Judge David J. Schroth Act."

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36 2. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

This resolution would designate P.L.1993, c.223 as the "Judge David J. Schroth Act."

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