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## **EXECUTIVE ORDERS**

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## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 201

WHEREAS, Justice Marie L. Garibaldi, the first woman to serve on this State's highest court, was a brilliant and fair-minded jurist who has had a profound and lasting impact on the jurisprudence of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Justice Garibaldi was a quintessential New Jerseyan, who was born in Jersey City, attended school in Hoboken, and lived in Weehawken for most of her life; and

WHEREAS, after earning her undergraduate degree from Connecticut College, Justice Garibaldi enrolled in Columbia Law School in 1956, where she was one of only twelve women in her class; and

WHEREAS, following graduation from Columbia, Justice Garibaldi worked as a lawyer for the federal government, and thereafter entered the private practice of law; and

WHEREAS, Justice Garibaldi distinguished herself as an exceptional attorney at a time when there were few women in the profession, was soon elevated to partnership at one of the State's most prestigious law firms, and later became the first woman to lead the New Jersey State Bar Association as its president; and

WHEREAS, Justice Garibaldi's superior intellect and character were recognized by Governor Thomas Kean, who, in 1982, nominated her to the Supreme Court of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, after her confirmation by the Senate, Justice Garibaldi made history by becoming the first woman to serve on this State's Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the next eighteen years, Justice Garibaldi demonstrated the highest degree of thoughtfulness and dedication and common-sense judgment as an Associate Justice, earning the utmost admiration of members of the bench and bar alike; and

WHEREAS, Justice Garibaldi's many written opinions have had and continue to have a profound impact on the law of this State, and our system of justice has been made all the better as a result of her tireless work; and

WHEREAS, following her retirement in 2000, Justice Garibaldi continued to provide guidance to attorneys in this State, serving as a true role model even after she left the bench; and

WHEREAS, Justice Garibaldi was a proud Italian-American who embodied the ideals and spirit of those who share her heritage, and her life is a testament to the countless contributions Italian-Americans have made to our State and to our country; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that we mourn the loss of Justice Garibaldi, and we extend our sincere sympathy to her family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the groundbreaking achievements, remarkable character, and cherished memory of Justice Garibaldi, and to mark her passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Thursday, January 21, 2016, in recognition and mourning of the passing of Justice Marie L. Garibaldi.
2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated January 19, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 202

WHEREAS, beginning on January 22, 2016, the State of New Jersey is expected to experience a severe winter storm with heavy snow, mixed precipitation, strong winds, and freezing temperatures throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has issued storm warnings throughout New Jersey, including Blizzard Warnings and Winter Storm Warnings; and

WHEREAS, this severe winter storm may cause hazardous travel conditions, fallen trees and power outages, and coastal, stream, and river flooding throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the impending weather conditions may make it difficult or impossible for citizens to obtain the necessities of life, as well as essential services such as police, fire, and first aid; and

WHEREAS, the impending weather conditions constitute an imminent hazard, which threatens and presently endangers the health, safety, and resources of the residents of one or more municipalities and counties of this State; and

WHEREAS, this situation may become too large in scope to be handled by the normal county and municipal operating services in some parts of this State, and this situation may spread to other parts of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, particularly the provisions of N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33 et seq., N.J.S.A. 38A:3-6.1, and N.J.S.A. 38A:2-4, and all amendments and supplements thereto, confer upon the Governor of the State of New Jersey certain emergency powers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the State of New Jersey, do DECLARE AND PROCLAIM that a State of Emergency exists throughout the State of New Jersey and I hereby ORDER AND DIRECT the following:

1. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of State Police, to implement the State Emergency Operations Plan and to direct the activation of county and municipal emergency operations plans as necessary, and to coordinate the preparation, response, and recovery efforts for this emergency with all governmental agencies, volunteer organizations, and the private sector.

2. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management, in accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33 et seq., through the police agencies under his control, to determine the control and direction of the flow of vehicular traffic on any State or interstate highway, municipal or county road, and any access road, including the right to detour, reroute, or divert any or all traffic and to prevent ingress or egress from any area that, in the State Director's discretion, is deemed necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public, and to remove parked or abandoned vehicles from such roadways as conditions warrant.

3. I authorize and empower the Attorney General, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-213, acting through the Superintendent of State Police, to determine the control and direction of the flow of vehicular traffic on any State or interstate highway, municipal or county road and any access road, including the right to detour, reroute, or divert any or all traffic, and to prevent ingress or egress. I further authorize all law enforcement officers to enforce any such order of the Attorney General or the Superintendent of State Police within their respective municipalities or jurisdictions.

4. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management to order the evacuation of all persons, except for those emergency, governmental, or essential personnel whose presence the State Director deems necessary, from any area where their continued presence could present a danger to their health, safety, or welfare because of the conditions created by this emergency.

5. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management to utilize all facilities owned, rented, operated, and maintained by the State of New Jersey to house and shelter persons who may need to be evacuated from a residence, dwelling, building, structure, or vehicle during the course of this emergency.

6. I authorize and empower the executive head of any agency or instrumentality of the State government with authority to promulgate rules to waive, suspend, or modify any existing rule the enforcement of which would be detrimental to the public welfare during this emergency, notwithstanding the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act or any law to the contrary for the duration of this Executive Order, subject to my prior approval and in consultation with the State Director of Emergency Management. Any such waiver, modification, or suspension shall be promulgated in accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-45.

7. I authorize and empower the Adjutant General, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 38A:2-4 and N.J.S.A. 38A:3-6.1, to order to active duty such members of the New Jersey National Guard who, in the Adjutant General's judgment, are necessary to provide aid to those localities where there is a threat or danger to the public health, safety, and welfare and to authorize the employment of any supporting vehi-

cles, equipment, communications, or supplies as may be necessary to support the members so ordered.

8. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-34 and N.J.S.A. App. A:9-51, I reserve the right to utilize and employ all available resources of the State government and of each and every political subdivision of the State, whether of persons, properties, or instrumentalities, and to commandeer and utilize any personal services and any privately owned property necessary to protect against this emergency.

9. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40, no municipality, county or any other agency or political subdivision of this State shall enact or enforce any order, rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution that will or might in any way conflict with any provision of this Order, or which will in any way interfere with or impede the achievement of the purposes of this Order.

10. It shall be the duty of every person or entity in this State or doing business in this State and of the members of the governing body and every official, employee, or agent of every political subdivision in this State and of each member of all other governmental bodies, agencies, and authorities in this State of any nature whatsoever, to cooperate fully with the State Director of Emergency Management in all matters concerning this state of emergency.

11. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-34, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6, and N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4, no municipality or public or semipublic agency shall send public works, fire, police, emergency medical, or other personnel or equipment into any non-contiguous, disaster-stricken municipality within this State, nor to any disaster-stricken municipality outside this State, unless and until such aid has been directed by the county emergency management coordinator or his or her deputies in consultation with the State Director of Emergency Management.

12. This Order shall take effect immediately, and shall remain in effect until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.

Dated January 22, 2016

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#### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 203

WHEREAS, Port Authority Police Officer Elise Bastardo was born in Red Bank, New Jersey and was raised in Wall Township; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bastardo earned a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice from Rutgers University in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bastardo joined the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey Police Department as a graduate of the 113th Class of the Port Authority Police Academy, where she was a platoon leader; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bastardo was assigned to the Newark Airport Command; and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2016, Officer Bastardo tragically passed away following a motor vehicle accident; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bastardo was a loving daughter, granddaughter, and sister, whose memory will be cherished by her family, friends, fellow officers, and all those fortunate to have known her; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bastardo served her State and the State of New York with professionalism and courage, and carried out her duties in accordance with the finest ideals and traditions of the Port Authority Police Department; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that we mourn the loss of Officer Bastardo, and we extend our sincerest sympathies to her family, friends, and fellow members of the Port Authority Police; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark Officer Bastardo's passing and to honor her memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Thursday, February 18, 2016 in recognition and mourning of Port Authority Police Officer Elise Bastardo.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated February 17, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 204

WHEREAS, Antonin Gregory Scalia was a New Jersey native and Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and we, the grateful citizens of this State and this country, shall be forever indebted to him for his outstanding service and enduring contributions to our system of justice; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia was born in 1936 to an Italian immigrant father and an Italian-American mother in our State's capital, Trenton; and

WHEREAS, even at a young age, Justice Scalia's brilliance was readily apparent, graduating as valedictorian of his high school class in 1953, and then earning a degree in history from Georgetown University in 1957, where he was a champion debater, and once again valedictorian; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia subsequently began his formal study of the law, enrolling at Harvard Law School, from which he graduated magna cum laude in 1960; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia filled important roles in the Nixon and Ford Administrations, including a leadership position in the United States Department of Justice, for which he was confirmed by the United States Senate in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia's striking intellect and impeccable character were subsequently recognized by President Ronald Reagan, who, in 1982, appointed Justice Scalia to the influential United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan soon saw that Justice Scalia's distinctive talents warranted his appointment to our nation's highest court, and after winning unanimous confirmation from the Senate in 1986, Justice Scalia became the first Italian-American Supreme Court Justice in the history of the United States; and

WHEREAS, over the following thirty years, Justice Scalia tirelessly immersed himself in the cases before him, authoring opinions that not only reflected his extraordinary legal acumen, unmistakable wit, and masterful writing style, but also his unparalleled understanding of history, government, and the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia was steadfast in his allegiance to the Constitution, interpreting it in accordance with its original intent, viewing our founding legal document as embodying the unwavering, bedrock principles of our nation, not subject to the whims of the day or popular opinion; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia will be remembered among the most influential jurists in the history of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia was a devoted husband to his wife of over 55 years, Maureen, with whom he had nine children and a remarkable 36 grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia was also man of deep religious conviction, who was guided by his unshakable faith in God and his fidelity to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Justice Scalia will be remembered as a man of flawless character, with an endearing sense of humor and enrapturing charm, who was highly respected and loved by people across the ideological spectrum; and

WHEREAS, although his passing is a tremendous and irreparable loss for our nation, we should be heartened that Justice Scalia has inspired and influenced countless judges, scholars, and lawyers, and that his professional legacy will live on in his insightful opinions and other writings, which will continue to have lasting, positive impacts on our nation's jurisprudence for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we mourn the heartbreaking loss of Justice Scalia, the longest-serving Justice on our current Supreme Court, and we extend our deepest sympathies to his wife, children, grandchildren, extended family, friends, colleagues, and many admirers; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor and mark the passing of Antonin Gregory Scalia, an incomparable Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and extraordinary man whose memory will live on for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours from Friday, February 19, 2016, through Saturday, February 20, 2016, in recognition and mourning of the passing of Justice Antonin Gregory Scalia.
2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated February 17, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 205

WHEREAS, First Lady Nancy Reagan was born Anne Frances Robbins in 1921, and following her adoption by her stepfather, she became known as Nancy Davis; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Smith College in 1939, Nancy Davis subsequently became a professional actress, and starred in a number of films beginning in the late 1940s; and

WHEREAS, it was through her acting career that Nancy Davis met Ronald Reagan, who at the time was a successful Hollywood actor and the president of the Screen Actors Guild, and the two married in 1952; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, following her husband's successful campaign for Governor of California, Nancy Reagan became First Lady of that state, where she became a leading voice for various causes and charities, earning recognition as "A Model First Lady"; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Reagan played a vital and active role in her husband's presidential campaigns, culminating in his historic victory in the presidential election of 1980; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Reagan served as a loving protector and confidant to President Reagan throughout his presidency and represented the United States as First Lady with grace and dignity; and

WHEREAS, throughout her years as First Lady, Nancy Reagan was a passionate advocate who inspired countless Americans to reject the temptation of illegal drugs, and raised the nation's awareness about breast cancer, saving lives in the process; and

WHEREAS, even after leaving the White House, Nancy Reagan continued serving the public, focusing her energies on combatting the scourge of substance abuse and championing the effort to treat and cure Alzheimer's Disease; and

WHEREAS, in the years following her husband's presidency, Nancy Reagan became a steward of the legacy of one the greatest leaders of our time, most nota-

bly through her tireless work in support of the Reagan Presidential Foundation and Library, an organization that teaches Americans about the life of President Reagan and cultivates new generations of public servants eager to follow his shining example; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Reagan was deeply devoted to her husband of over 50 years, caring for him with incredible love, strength and dignity as his health declined, until his passing in 2004; and

WHEREAS, it is with sincere and profound sorrow that we mourn the loss of Nancy Reagan, and we extend our deepest sympathies to her family, friends, and many admirers; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor First Lady Nancy Reagan and to mark the passing of this strong and inspiring woman, whose impact on American life will continue to be felt for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Friday, March 11, 2016, in recognition and mourning of the passing of First Lady Nancy Reagan.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated March 8, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 206

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Trooper Sean Cullen was born in Dublin, Ireland, and emigrated to the United States with his family when he was a child; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Cullen was a resident of Cinnaminson, New Jersey, and graduated from Cinnaminson High School in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Cullen subsequently became a police officer, serving in the Sea Isle City, Mount Holly, and Westampton Township Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Trooper Cullen joined the New Jersey State Police as a graduate of the 154th Class of the New Jersey State Police Academy, and was assigned to Bellmawr Station; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2016, Trooper Cullen tragically passed away following a motor vehicle accident that occurred while he was on duty and responding to an incident; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his passing, Trooper Cullen was engaged to be married, and was further a loving and devoted father, son, and brother, whose memory will live on in the hearts of his family, friends, and colleagues; and  
WHEREAS, Trooper Cullen made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the citizens of this State, and served with courage, professionalism, and a commitment to the finest ideals and traditions of the New Jersey State Police; and  
WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we mourn the loss of Trooper Cullen, and we extend our sincere sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow law enforcement officers; and  
WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark Trooper Cullen's passing and to honor his memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Monday, March 14, 2016 in recognition and in mourning of a brave and loyal hero, New Jersey State Trooper Sean Cullen.

2. Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:3-12, the flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at the State House during appropriate hours in recognition of the life and in mourning of the passing of Trooper Sean Cullen.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Date March 11, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 207

WHEREAS, Private Tysheena Lynette James, of Jersey City, New Jersey, enlisted in the United States Army in 2015; and  
WHEREAS, Private James was deployed to Fort Hood, Texas as a motor transport operator; and  
WHEREAS, Private James served honorably in the United States Army in the 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division; and  
WHEREAS, Private James tragically lost her life on June 2, 2016, as a result of a training accident at Fort Hood; and  
WHEREAS, Private James was a loving daughter and granddaughter, who will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and fellow soldiers; and

WHEREAS, Private James was a brave and dedicated soldier, whose awards include the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Medal, and the Army Service Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, along with Private James, eight other soldiers lost their lives in the same incident, namely: Staff Sergeant Miguel Angel Colonvazquez, Specialist Christine Faith Armstrong, Specialist Yingming Sun, Private First Class Brandon Austin Banner, Private First Class Zachery Nathaniel Fuller, Private Isaac Lee Deleon, Private Eddy Raelaurin Gates, and Cadet Mitchell Alexander Winey; and

WHEREAS, it appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to remember Private James and all the victims of this terrible incident, to honor their memories, and to mark their passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Saturday, June 11, 2016, in recognition and mourning of a courageous and loyal American soldier, United States Army Private Tysheena Lynette James, and the other soldiers who lost their lives as a result of this tragedy.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated June 10, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 208

WHEREAS, on June 12, 2016, barbaric acts of terrorism were committed at a nightclub in Orlando, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the atrocities carried out in Orlando took the lives of 49 innocent people, and seriously injured dozens of others; and

WHEREAS, this shocking and horrific attack constitutes the deadliest act of terrorism carried out in the United States since September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, this hateful terrorist attack was purposely directed against members of the LGBT community, and represents a deliberate and callous assault on the freedoms we cherish as Americans; and

WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we mourn the loss of the victims of the terrorist attack in Orlando, Florida, and pause to offer our deepest sympathies to their families, friends, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the victims, to honor their memories, and to mark their passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Friday, June 17, 2016, in recognition of the lives and in mourning of the passing of the victims of the terrorist attack in Orlando, Florida.
2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated June 16, 2016

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2016, I fulfilled my obligations as Governor of the State of New Jersey by delivering the Governor's annual budget recommendations to the Legislature with respect to Fiscal Year 2017; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of ongoing, skyrocketing growth in health care costs that threatens to erode the State's ability to address important priorities including pensions, education, public safety, and critical services to those in need, my budget recommendations included an assumption that a combination of reasonable, common-sense reforms would be implemented to save \$250 million in public employee and retiree health care costs to offset anticipated growth in those costs during Fiscal Year 2017; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2016, the Acting State Treasurer ("Treasurer") appeared before the Senate and General Assembly budget committees to update the Governor's Fiscal Year 2017 budget recommendations, reiterating the need for health care savings to offset anticipated growth in health care costs during the upcoming fiscal year, and that the Governor's budget recommendations did not otherwise include funding for those escalating costs; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2016, my Administration transmitted to the Legislature a series of budget resolutions to implement the Governor's updated budget recommendations, consistent with the Treasurer's May testimony; and

WHEREAS, one of those resolutions recommended an item of budget language establishing an orderly procedure for achieving the assumed budget savings in a timely manner, prior to the expiration of Fiscal Year 2017; and

WHEREAS, more specifically, the recommended budget language provided: "Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.2011, c.78 or any other law or regulation to the contrary, the amounts hereinabove appropriated for employee health benefits are subject to the following conditions: (1) the employee health benefits appropriations do not provide for year-over-year growth in State health benefits spending, instead of approximately \$250 million in additional new State spending that would be required in FY 2017 without common sense reforms; accordingly,

within 30 days of the effective date of this act, the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) Plan Design Committee and the School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP) Plan Design Committee (Plan Design Committees) shall approve cost-saving measures that will result in FY 2017 State health benefits savings totaling not less than \$250 million; (2) provided further, in the event that the PDCs fail to satisfy the first condition set forth in this paragraph by approving less than \$250 million in health benefits savings for FY 2017 within the specified time period, the State Treasurer, in consultation with the Division of Pensions and Benefits and the Division of Budget and Accounting, shall identify cost-saving measures that will result in FY 2017 State health benefits savings totaling \$250 million, or such lesser amount as the State Treasurer shall determine, and those measures shall be implemented as plan design changes."

WHEREAS, instead of including the recommended budget language, or restoring the funding that would be necessary to support anticipated growth during Fiscal Year 2017 in the unreformed health benefits system, the legislative majority included the following budget language in its appropriations bill: "The State Health Benefits Program Plan Design Committee and the School Employees' Health Benefits Program Plan Design Committee may review potential cost-savings for FY 2017 State health benefits of \$250,000,000."; and

WHEREAS, the permissive nature of the Legislature's budget language, considered in conjunction with the historical reluctance of some members of the Plan Design Committees to embrace even the most modest of common-sense reforms, calls into question whether the Fiscal Year 2017 health benefits savings embedded in the Legislature's budget is realistically likely to be achieved; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Constitution requires the Governor to take care that the laws of this State be faithfully executed, N.J.Const. (1947) Article V, Section 1, Paragraph 11, including ensuring compliance with the constitutional mandate that a balanced State budget be maintained, N.J.Const. (1947) Article VIII, Section 2, Paragraph 2; and

WHEREAS, during the course of a fiscal year, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting ("Director") may take steps to freeze State spending by placing certain funds in reserve in order to ensure that the State's budget remains balanced and to protect against and meet emergencies that may arise during the fiscal year pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-26, and the Governor also may enjoin expenditures and prescribe the terms on which such expenditures may be made, if at all, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-31 to ensure that appropriations are not used to support waste, mismanagement or extravagance in a time of potentially diminished fiscal resources; and

WHEREAS, failure to exercise any of these powers risks the State potentially lacking resources necessary to maintain a responsible fund balance while providing for essential State services and basic operations of State government for Fiscal Year 2017, potentially causing immediate adverse impacts on the residents of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. In light of these facts and circumstances described above, the Director is hereby ordered immediately to identify and place into reserve items of appropriation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-26, in an amount sufficient to ensure that the State budget remains in balance while maintaining a responsible anticipated closing fund balance. The amounts immediately reserved shall include all legislative additions to my recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2017, as determined by the Director, and half of the appropriation for Transitional Aid to Localities, along with such other amounts of such items of appropriation as the Director shall determine to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Order. The Director shall notify the Governor immediately of the list of items placed into reserve.

2. The Treasurer shall monitor the meetings and activities of the Plan Design Committees, and shall identify the value of estimated health benefits savings achieved by the Committees for Fiscal Year 2017, in addition to the impact that any reforms may have in future fiscal years. The Treasurer shall immediately notify the Governor as such savings are achieved. Thereafter, upon receiving notification from the Treasurer that health benefits savings have been achieved, the Director may release from reserve, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27B-26, items of appropriation in consideration of the savings achieved.

3. The Treasurer is further ordered, in consultation with the Acting Attorney General ("Attorney General"), to determine the specific steps that would be necessary to withdraw the State of New Jersey from the Reciprocal Personal Income Tax Agreement Between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, and shall prepare an estimate of the effects such a withdrawal would have on New Jersey's revenue collections.

4. All State officials and agencies shall cooperate fully in the implementation of this Order.

5. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until rescinded, modified, or supplemented by me.

Dated June 30, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 210

WHEREAS, among the most basic responsibilities of government is to provide for its citizens a safe, efficient, fully integrated, and properly balanced system of transportation, including roads, bridges, buses, rail, and light rail; and  
WHEREAS, a well-kept infrastructure is crucial to the operation of the New Jersey economy and the provision of goods and services all over the State, and the

people of the State of New Jersey rely upon that system of transportation as they conduct all aspects of their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority (“TTFA”), established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:1B-1, et seq., exists to finance the planning, acquisition, engineering, construction, reconstruction, repair, and rehabilitation of the State’s transportation system through the issuance of State-contract Bonds and pay-as-you-go capital; and

WHEREAS, the TTFA provides funds to the New Jersey Department of Transportation (“DOT”) and to New Jersey Transit to carry out transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, currently, absent additional funding sources, the TTFA will exhaust all of its available funds in August 2016; and

WHEREAS, to date, the New Jersey State Senate has failed to act on reauthorization of the TTFA and therefore there is no established plan for providing additional funding sources for the TTFA; and

WHEREAS, if the TTFA runs out of funds, it would have a disastrous effect on the State’s ability to maintain the transportation infrastructure, thereby jeopardizing the health, safety, and welfare of all persons who rely on that infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary to take action before the funds are depleted and carefully ration the existing funds of the TTFA to obtain the greatest effect out of those remaining dollars; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Constitution requires the Governor to take care that the laws of this State be faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New Jersey is entrusted with the responsibility to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this State, as well as the responsibility to aid in the prevention of damage, loss, or destruction of property in the event of emergencies affecting the State; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this State, it is necessary that the remaining amounts held by the TTFA not be spent on any transportation project that is not absolutely essential; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, particularly the provisions of N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33, et seq., and all amendments and supplements thereto, confer upon the Governor of the State of New Jersey certain emergency powers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, DO DECLARE and PROCLAIM that a State of Emergency exists in the State of New Jersey and I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the following:

1. The Commissioner of DOT and the Executive Director of New Jersey Transit are instructed to plan an immediate and orderly shutdown of all ongoing work that is funded by the TTFA, with the understanding that any work that is funded by federal funds may continue. The respective plans for such orderly shutdown shall be completed no later than 11:59 pm on Saturday, July 2, 2016.

2. All work that is funded by the TTFA shall cease according to the shutdown plans established respectively by the Commissioner and Executive Director, with the understanding that any work that is funded by federal funds may continue.

3. The Commissioner of DOT shall take all appropriate steps to ensure that work performed at the municipal level that is funded by the TTFA, through grant or otherwise, shall cease in a manner consistent with this Executive Order, with the understanding that any work that is funded by federal funds may continue.

4. Notwithstanding the above paragraphs, transportation project work may continue when it is, in the discretion of the Commissioner and Executive Director, respectively, after consultation with the Office of the Governor, determined that such projects are absolutely essential for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the State of New Jersey, or are required to ensure the receipt of federal funding.

5. I authorize and empower the Attorney General, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-213, acting through the Superintendent of State Police, to determine the control and direction of the flow of vehicular traffic on any State or interstate highway, municipal or county road, and any access road, including the right to detour, reroute, or divert any or all traffic, and to prevent ingress or egress and further authorize all law enforcement officers to enforce any such order of the Superintendent of State Police within their respective municipalities.

6. All State officials and agencies shall cooperate fully in the implementation of this Order.

7. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-34 and -51, I reserve the right to utilize and employ all available resources of the State government and of each and every political subdivision of the State, whether of persons, properties, or instrumentalities, and to commandeer and utilize any personal services and any privately owned property necessary to protect against this emergency.

8. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40, no municipality, county, or any other agency or political subdivision of this State shall enact or enforce any order, rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution, which will or might in any way conflict with any of the provisions of this Order, or which will in any way interfere with or impede the achievement of the purposes of this Order.

9. It shall be the duty of every person or entity in this State or doing business in this State and of the members of the governing body and every official, employee, or agent of every political subdivision in this State and of each member of all other governmental bodies, agencies, and authorities in this State of any nature whatsoever, to cooperate fully with the Commissioner in all matters concerning this state of emergency.

10. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.

Dated June 30, 2016.

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 211

- WHEREAS, in 2014, the citizens of New Jersey voted overwhelmingly to amend the State Constitution to eliminate the State's "resource-based" approach to pretrial release of individuals facing criminal charges, which allowed potentially dangerous defendants to be released if they had the financial wherewithal to make bail, while requiring defendants who posed no threat to the community to remain in jail simply because of an inability to pay bail or post bond; and
- WHEREAS, in lieu of the resource-based system, the voters authorized a "risk-based" system, which, through individualized, objective, and scientifically-based assessments, allows for the detention of criminal defendants who pose a danger to the community, a flight risk, or potential to obstruct justice, where these concerns cannot be mitigated through release conditions; and
- WHEREAS, the Legislature passed, and I subsequently signed, P.L. 2014, c. 31, implementing legislation that will take effect on January 1, 2017, and will bring about the sweeping reforms to New Jersey's adult criminal justice system consistent with the the aforementioned constitutional amendment; and
- WHEREAS, upon full implementation of the constitutional amendment and the implementing legislation, fewer defendants will be incarcerated in county jails at taxpayer expense while awaiting trial; and
- WHEREAS, the speedy indictment and speedy trial deadlines in the implementing legislation will result in shorter periods of pretrial detention for defendants who are not eligible for release based on the objective risk assessment; and
- WHEREAS, the Judiciary is currently revising the Rules of Court to implement the aforementioned reforms and establish new practices and procedures that will impact the operations and workload of police agencies and prosecutors' offices; and
- WHEREAS, the Attorney General, in his capacity as the State's chief law enforcement officer, is preparing to issue a Law Enforcement Directive to provide guidance to police and prosecutors to ensure the uniform and efficient implementation of these reforms and the new Court Rules; and
- WHEREAS, the Directive will encourage prosecutors to review arrests for certain offenses before a decision is made whether to issue a complaint-summons (allowing release of the defendant pending a court appearance) or to apply for a complaint-warrant (requiring evaluation of the defendant by the risk-based assessment to determine if release is appropriate), which represents a significant change in practice for most prosecutors, and may require significant realignment of resources to perform these early case-screening functions quickly and efficiently, often outside of normal business hours; and
- WHEREAS, the reforms will require the appropriate prioritization of judicial and prosecutorial resources; and
- WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to study, project, and monitor the savings and the costs associated with these reforms, and to develop additional policies and procedures to address administrative challenges in order to successfully implement the reforms to our pretrial release system; and

WHEREAS, preparations for implementation are sufficiently advanced such that the savings and costs resulting from the reforms can be reasonably estimated;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The Attorney General shall evaluate the costs, savings, and administrative challenges associated with the reforms to our pretrial release system set forth in the State Constitution, implementing legislation, and the forthcoming Attorney General Law Enforcement Directive, with specific focus on County Prosecutors' Offices, county jails, and local police departments.

2. The study shall be conducted by the Division of Criminal Justice and the Office of Law Enforcement Professional Standards in the Department of Law and Public Safety, in consultation with the State Police and the County Prosecutors Association of New Jersey, and shall solicit the input of appropriate stakeholders.

3. To effectuate the study, the Attorney General shall be authorized to call upon any department, office, division, or agency of this State to supply it with any information, personnel, or other assistance available as deemed necessary to discharge the duties under this Order. Each department, office, division, and agency of this State is hereby required, to the extent not inconsistent with law, to cooperate fully with the Attorney General within the limits of its statutory authority and to furnish such assistance on as timely a basis as is necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Order.

4. The Attorney General shall, within 60 days, report to the Governor on the progress of the study of anticipated costs, savings, and administrative challenges.

5. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated June 30, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 212

WHEREAS, Senator Raymond Bateman was born in Somerville, New Jersey in 1927, and attended Somerville High School and Wesleyan University; and

WHEREAS, in 1946, Senator Bateman began his outstanding career in public service in the United States Army, serving in Japan after World War II; and

WHEREAS, after serving his country in the Army, Senator Bateman was as an assistant to State Senator Malcolm S. Forbes, and then Executive Director of the New Jersey Republican State Committee; and

WHEREAS, Senator Bateman then served in the New Jersey General Assembly beginning in 1958, and was subsequently elected to the Senate in 1967; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Senator Bateman became President of the New Jersey State Senate and, when necessary, served as Acting Governor; and

WHEREAS, during his two decades in the Legislature, Senator Bateman sponsored legislation that has had a profound, positive, and lasting impact on the State, including a landmark 1962 bill that created New Jersey's community college system; and

WHEREAS, after leaving the Legislature, Senator Bateman continued to serve New Jersey in various roles, including as chairman of the Raritan Valley Community College and as chairman of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority; and

WHEREAS, most of all, Senator Bateman was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, whose presence will be sorely missed by his family, his many friends and colleagues, and the people of New Jersey overall; and

WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we mourn the passing of Senator Bateman, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the outstanding character, remarkable achievements, and cherished memory of Senator Raymond Bateman, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Saturday, July 9, 2016, in recognition and mourning of the passing of Senator Raymond Bateman.
2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated June 30, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 213

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2016, the final day of State Fiscal Year 2016 ("FY 2016"), I signed Executive Order No. 210 (2016) declaring a state of emergency occasioned by the failure of the Legislature to send any bill to my desk providing for reauthorization of the Transportation Trust Fund Authority ("TTFA") following expiration of the five-year funding authorization that financed transportation projects from FY 2012 through the end of FY 2016; and

WHEREAS, at the time of that signing, it was evident that, absent additional funding sources, the TTFA would exhaust its remaining available funds no later than August 2016; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 210, work on most transportation projects funded by the TTFA was shut down in an orderly manner in early July

and the remaining TTFA funds have been carefully rationed to support projects determined to be absolutely essential for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the State of New Jersey, or that are required to ensure the receipt of federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the TTFA is days away from exhausting all of its available funds; and

WHEREAS, no evident progress has been made by the Legislature to pass a single, viable bill to reauthorize the TTFA; and

WHEREAS, the current situation will persist until such time as the Senate and the General Assembly pass a TTFA funding bill acceptable to all parties; and

WHEREAS, a well-maintained transportation infrastructure is essential to the operation of New Jersey's economy and the people of the State of New Jersey who rely upon that system of transportation as they conduct all aspects of their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, suspending emergency TTFA work while the people of New Jersey wait for the Senate and the General Assembly to pass a TTFA reauthorization bill would jeopardize the health, safety, and welfare of all who rely on our transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Constitution requires the Governor to take care that the laws of this State be faithfully executed; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New Jersey is entrusted with the responsibility to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this State, as well as the responsibility to aid in the prevention of damage, loss, or destruction of property in the event of emergencies affecting the State; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, particularly the provisions of N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33, et seq., and all amendments and supplements thereto, confer upon the Governor of the State of New Jersey certain emergency powers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, DO DECLARE and PROCLAIM that a State of Emergency continues to exist in the State of New Jersey and I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the following:

1. The State Treasurer, as well as the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting ("OMB Director"), the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation ("Commissioner"), and the Executive Director of the New Jersey Transit Corporation ("Executive Director"), are instructed to undertake all steps necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of Executive Order No. 210, as continued and supplemented by this Order, using general State funds. More specifically, pursuant to the authority granted to the Governor in General Provision No. 24 of the Fiscal Year 2017 Appropriations Act, P.L.2016, c.10, I hereby direct the State Treasurer to transfer from any State department to the TTFA such amounts as are determined to be necessary by the OMB Director, in consultation with the Commissioner and the

Executive Director, to support transportation projects that are determined to be absolutely essential for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the State of New Jersey, or are required to ensure the receipt of federal funding, according to the standards set forth in paragraph 4 of Executive Order No. 210.

2. All State officials and agencies shall cooperate fully in the implementation of this Order.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in full force and effect until it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.

Dated August 17, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 214

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service is forecasting Tropical Storm Hermine will impact New Jersey beginning on September 3, 2016, bringing tropical storm force winds, very heavy and sustained rain, as well as moderate to major coastal flooding with heavy surf and beach erosion to parts of the State; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service forecast currently indicates that Hermine is a slow-moving storm that likely will impact the entire New Jersey shoreline for several days, and Ocean County, Atlantic County and Cape May County in particular; and

WHEREAS, these impending weather conditions may threaten homes and other structures, endanger lives, jeopardize public and private property, cause power outages, impede transportation and the flow of traffic in New Jersey, and thereby make it difficult or impossible for residents to obtain the necessities of life, as well as essential services such as police, fire, and first aid; and

WHEREAS, the impending weather conditions constitute an imminent hazard, which threatens and presently endangers the health, safety, and resources of the residents of Ocean County, Atlantic County and Cape May County; and

WHEREAS, this situation may become too large in scope to be handled by the normal county and municipal operating services in Ocean County, Atlantic County and Cape May County, and this situation may spread to other parts of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, particularly the provisions of N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33 et seq., N.J.S.A. 38A:3-6.1, and N.J.S.A. 38A:2-4, and all amendments and supplements thereto, confer upon the Governor of the State of New Jersey certain emergency powers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of New Jersey, do DECLARE AND PROCLAIM that a State of Emergency exists in Ocean County, Atlantic County, and Cape May County, and I hereby ORDER AND DIRECT the following:

1. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of State Police, to implement the State Emergency Operations Plan and to direct the activation of county and municipal emergency operations plans as necessary, and to coordinate the preparation, response, and recovery efforts for this emergency with all governmental agencies, volunteer organizations, and the private sector.

2. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management, in accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33 et seq., as supplemented and amended, through the police agencies under his control, to determine the control and direction of the flow of such vehicular traffic on any State or interstate highway, municipal or county road, and any access road, including the right to detour, reroute, or divert any or all traffic and to prevent ingress or egress from any area, that, in the State Director's discretion, is deemed necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public, and to remove parked or abandoned vehicles from such roadways as conditions warrant.

3. I authorize and empower the Attorney General, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-213, acting through the Superintendent of State Police, to determine the control and direction of the flow of vehicular traffic on any State or interstate highway, municipal or county road, and any access road, including the right to detour, reroute, or divert any or all traffic, and to prevent ingress or egress. I further authorize all law enforcement officers to enforce any such order of the Attorney General or Superintendent of State Police within their respective municipalities or jurisdictions.

4. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management to order the evacuation of all persons, except for those emergency, governmental, or essential personnel whose presence the State Director deems necessary, from any area where their continued presence would present a danger to their health, safety, or welfare because of the conditions created by this emergency.

5. I authorize and empower the State Director of Emergency Management to utilize all facilities owned, rented, operated, and maintained by the State of New Jersey to house and shelter persons who may need to be evacuated from a residence, dwelling, building, structure, or vehicle during the course of this emergency.

6. I authorize and empower the executive head of any agency or instrumentality of the State government with authority to promulgate rules to waive, suspend, or modify any existing rule, the enforcement of which would be detrimental to the public welfare during this emergency, notwithstanding the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act or any law to the contrary for the duration of this Executive Order, subject to my prior approval and in consultation with the State Director of Emergency Management. Any such waiver, modification, or suspension shall be promulgated in accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-45.

7. I authorize and empower the Adjutant General, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 38A:2-4 and N.J.S.A. 38A:3-6.1, to order to active duty such members of the New Jersey National Guard who, in the Adjutant General's judgment, are necessary to provide aid to those localities where there is a threat or danger to the public

health, safety, and welfare and to authorize the employment of any supporting vehicles, equipment, communications, or supplies as may be necessary to support the members so ordered.

8. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-34 and -51, as supplemented and amended, I reserve the right to utilize and employ all available resources of the State government and of each and every political subdivision of the State, whether of persons, properties, or instrumentalities, and to commandeer and utilize any personal services and any privately owned property necessary to protect against this emergency.

9. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40, no municipality, county or any other agency or political subdivision of this State shall enact or enforce any order, rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution which will or might in any way conflict with any of the provisions of this Order, or which will in any way interfere with or impede the achievement of the purposes of this Order.

10. It shall be the duty of every person or entity in this State or doing business in this State and of the members of the governing body and every official, employee, or agent of every political subdivision in this State and of each member of all other governmental bodies, agencies, and authorities in this State of any nature whatsoever, to cooperate fully with the State Director of Emergency Management in all matters concerning this state of emergency.

11. In accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-34, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6, and N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4, no municipality or public or semipublic agency shall send public works, fire, police, emergency medical, or other personnel or equipment into any non-contiguous disaster-stricken municipality within this State, nor to any disaster-stricken municipality outside this State, unless and until such aid has been directed by the county emergency management coordinator or his deputies in consultation with the State Director of Emergency Management.

12. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as it is determined by me that an emergency no longer exists.

Dated September 3, 2016.

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#### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 215

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, unprecedented acts of terrorism were committed in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the horrific attacks of September 11, 2001, took the lives of nearly 3,000 people, almost 700 of whom were residents of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, these attacks not only caused a tremendous loss of life, but also inflicted immense pain and anguish on the survivors of the attacks, as well as the families of those killed that day; and

WHEREAS, fifteen years later, a great many New Jerseyans continue to endure the devastating loss of a parent, spouse, child, or other loved one; and

WHEREAS, September 11, 2001, will be remembered by all New Jerseyans, privately and at public remembrances and memorials, as we continue to display the patriotism and compassion that defines us as Americans and as New Jerseyans; and

WHEREAS, we remain grateful to our law enforcement officers and our Armed Forces for their invaluable sacrifices in the protection of our country and our State; and

WHEREAS, on this fifteenth anniversary of September 11, 2001, it is fitting that this day be observed with full solemnity, in tribute to the innocent victims who perished in the attacks;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of the State of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, instrumentalities and all public buildings during appropriate hours on Sunday, September 11, 2016, in recognition and in mourning of the victims of the attacks of September 11, 2001, including those from our home State.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated September 7, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 216

WHEREAS, it is a fundamental obligation of government to provide for a safe, efficient, fully integrated, and properly balanced system of transportation; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority ("TTFA"), established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:1B-1, et seq., and which exists to finance the planning, acquisition, engineering, construction, reconstruction, repair, and rehabilitation of the State's transportation system, was approaching the exhaustion of its available funds during the Summer of 2016; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2016, in order to preserve the remaining TTFA funds for projects deemed absolutely essential for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the State of New Jersey, or where expenditure was necessary to ensure the receipt of federal funding, I signed Executive Order No. 210, which declared a State of Emergency and ordered the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation ("DOT") and the Executive Director of New Jersey Transit ("NJT") to plan an immediate and orderly shutdown of all non-essential work on the State's transportation infrastructure that was funded by the nearly depleted TTFA; and

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2016, the TTFA was days away from exhausting its funds even for essential work on the State's transportation infrastructure, and I therefore signed Executive Order No. 213, which declared a continuing State of Emergency and ordered that general State funds be transferred to the TTFA in amounts sufficient to permit essential transportation projects to continue; and  
WHEREAS, on October 7, 2016, both houses of the New Jersey Legislature passed Assembly Bill No. 10 and Assembly Bill No. 12; and  
WHEREAS, among other things, the aforesaid legislation provides for funding of the TTFA and amends laws concerning the financing and construction of transportation infrastructure in the State going forward; and  
WHEREAS, today, October 14, 2016, I have signed both Assembly Bill No. 10 and Assembly Bill No. 12 into law; and  
WHEREAS, as a result of the enactment of Assembly Bill Nos. 10 and 12, the shutdown required by Executive Order No. 210 can be lifted, such that work on transportation projects in the State may resume in the normal course; and  
WHEREAS, general State funds may still need to be used until the steady funding stream provided for within the legislation reaches the TTFA;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. Executive Order No. 210, signed on June 30, 2016, and Executive Order No. 213, signed on August 17, 2016, are hereby rescinded.
2. The State Treasurer, the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting and the DOT Commissioner shall implement an interim funding solution in order to permit the immediate recommencement of transportation projects funded by the TTFA.
3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated October 14, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 217

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Trooper Frankie Williams was a resident of Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey;  
WHEREAS, Trooper Williams earned an Associate Degree from Atlantic Cape Community College, a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from Rutgers University, and was working towards a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice at Rutgers University; and  
WHEREAS, on January 29, 2016, Trooper Williams joined the New Jersey State Police as a graduate of the 156th Class of the New Jersey State Police Academy; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Williams was initially assigned to the Woodstown Station, then to the Port Norris Station; and

WHEREAS, in his short time in the State Police, Trooper Williams gained the respect and admiration of his colleagues for his good judgment and thoughtful approach to his duties; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2016, Trooper Williams tragically passed away following a motor vehicle accident that occurred while he was on duty and responding to an incident; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Williams was a loving and devoted husband and son, and his memory will live on in the hearts of his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Williams made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the citizens of this State, and served with courage, professionalism, and a commitment to the finest ideals and traditions of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is with profound sadness that we mourn the loss of Trooper Williams, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark Trooper Williams's passing and to honor his memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Monday, December 12, 2016, in recognition and in mourning of a brave and loyal hero, New Jersey State Trooper Frankie Williams.

2. Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:3-12, the flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at the State House during appropriate hours in recognition of the life and in mourning of the passing of Trooper Frankie Williams.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated December 9, 2016.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 218

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Police Lieutenant William G. Fearon was born in Kearny, New Jersey, graduated from Seton Hall Preparatory School in West Orange, New Jersey, and lived in Cedar Grove, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Fearon joined the New Jersey State Police as a graduate of the 114th Class of the New Jersey State Police Academy on September 23, 1994; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Fearon served in various positions in the New Jersey State Police throughout his distinguished twenty-two-year career, including as an Assistant Division Operations Officer and as an Assistant Station Commander; and

WHEREAS, on December 28, 2016, Lieutenant Fearon passed away following a long battle with an illness he contracted in the line of duty while responding to the World Trade Center terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Fearon was a loving and devoted husband, son, and father, whose memory will live in the hearts of his family, friends, and fellow members of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Fearon served his State with courage, professionalism, and commitment to the finest ideals and traditions of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that we mourn the loss of Lieutenant Fearon, and we extend our sincerest sympathy to his family, friends, and fellow members of the New Jersey State Police; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and fitting for the State of New Jersey to mark Lieutenant Fearon's passing and to honor his memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Saturday, December 31, 2016 in recognition and mourning of a brave and loyal hero, New Jersey State Police Lieutenant William G. Fearon, Badge 5147.

2. Furthermore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:3-12, the flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at the State House during appropriate hours in recognition of the life and in mourning of the passing of New Jersey State Police Lieutenant William G. Fearon.

3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated December 29, 2016.