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## Acting Governor Guadagno Addresses The Greater Long Branch NAACP

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### *Annual Freedom Fund Banquet Celebrates 69 Years of Service*

**Trenton, NJ** – Celebrating the Greater Long Branch NAACP's 69 years of service, Acting Governor Kim Guadagno today joined the organization for its annual Freedom Fund Banquet in West Long Branch.

"The Greater Long Branch NAACP has shown strong leadership in Monmouth County, serving as a voice in the community for so many residents," said Acting Governor Guadagno. "We have worked together through some of New Jersey's toughest times, and I look forward to our continued collaboration as we look for new ways to provide opportunities for our children."

The Acting Governor's comments focused on the state's ongoing efforts to better prepare our youth for the workforce of today and tomorrow.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was founded in 1909 by a multi-racial group of citizens committed to civil rights and justice for all Americans. The NAACP has attracted more than 20 million members and remains the preeminent civil rights organization in the United States, with chapters around the world.

"Two years ago during the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, we along the Monmouth County Shore were dealing with attempting to put our homes and lives back to normal, including the Lt. Governor. She had suffered major damage to her home as well," said Lorenzo Bill Dangler, Branch President of the Greater Long Branch NAACP. "However, she still found it more important to take a couple hours out of her day and give our members who were at our annual banquet a wonderful uplifting message. So I thought two years later it would be fitting to ask the Lt. Governor to stop by and address us in a much more relaxed time for our area and the state of New Jersey."

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