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#### **Gov. Whitman Statement on Passing of Alan Karcher Flags Lowered in Honor of Former Speaker**

NJ Gov. Christie Whitman ordered flags at all state buildings to be lowered to half-staff from Tuesday, July 27, 1999 through Friday, July 30, 1999 and issued the following statement upon receiving news of the passing of former Assembly Speaker Alan J. Karcher:

"Alan Karcher was a fervent believer in the power of political involvement and the ability of the political process to make New Jersey a better place.

"He was fiercely committed to his political philosophy and espoused his positions with eloquence. He was a worthy and capable adversary who truly embodied the spirit of the loyal opposition.

"While Alan Karcher will rightfully be remembered for the strength and passion of his political beliefs, he will best be remembered by the countless thousands of people he touched over the course of more than quarter century of public service," Gov. Whitman said.

