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Acting Governor Guadagno Celebrates Success of Dress Our Vets Clothing Drive

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Professional Clothing Donations Will Directly Benefit Women Veterans

Trenton, NJ – Joined by women legislators and veteran groups, Acting Governor Kim Guadagno today marked the conclusion of the *Dress Our Vets* initiative, which collected new and like-new professional clothing for women veterans transitioning to the civilian workforce.

Donations came from all over the state during Women's History Month from participating women legislators' offices and from Siemens Corporation in Iselin as part of the *Dress Our Vets* campaign.

"We anticipated a positive response to this event, but we were overwhelmed by the amount of clothing we received! And I am certain that we will change many veterans' lives with these donations," said Acting Governor Guadagno. "Our efforts today will help women veterans communicate to future employers what we already know: that they are incredible resources who will be great employees at any company. I am proud to have worked with Suing Warriors Foundation on this project and I thank the legislators, their constituents, and Siemens Corporation – all of whom who jumped at the chance to assist women veterans during this campaign."

All donated clothing will be given to Suing Warriors Foundation (SWF), a non-profit Veterans Service Organization that has suited approximately 600 veterans over the past year. SWF supports veterans transitioning into civilian life by providing them with professional attire essential for competing in today's job market. More information can be found on its website at <http://suingwarriors.org>.

"We believe in empowering veterans, and our mission in providing a concierge suiting service to veterans at job fairs does just that," said Star Lotta, Founder, President and CEO of SWF. "We applaud the Acting Governor and everyone involved in supporting this mission during a most successful Women's History Month."

Acting Governor Guadagno was joined by Senator Jennifer Beck (R-Monmouth) and Assemblywomen Mary Pat Angelini (R-Monmouth) and Caroline Casagrande (R-Monmouth).

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