## Rew Jersey Casino Control Commission Resolution Ro. 16-03-09-11



## RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION RECOGNIZING MARCH AS PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a significant public health issue affecting New Jersey residents of all ages and racial and ethnic backgrounds in all communities across this state and one which has a significant social and economic cost; and

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a treatable disease and proper management is invaluable in minimizing the harm to individuals, their families and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, promoting awareness provides individuals in the problem gambling community with an opportunity to educate the public about problem gambling and the availability and success of treatment; and

WHEREAS, the Casino Control Commission recognizes that numerous individuals, professionals and organizations have dedicated themselves to educating the public about problem gambling and the availability and success of treatment and it recognizes the need to inform and encourage others who are interested in assisting problem gamblers; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Casino Control Commission has partnered with the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey in the past to promote awareness of Problem Gambling Awareness Month through a variety of activities; and



WHEREAS, the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey provides around-the-clock support for problem gamblers through its 1-800-GAMBLER hotline and offers training opportunity for counsellors and others who want to provide help to problem gamblers; and

WHEREAS, Governor Chris Christie has designated March as Problem Gambling Awareness Month in the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Casino Control Commission recognizes that March has been designated Problem Gambling Awareness Month and it supports and applauds the Council on Compulsive Gambling for its ongoing efforts to provide assistance to problem gambling and also to educate the public about this significant public health issue.

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