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RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Month of March 2025 as "Problem Gambling Awareness Month" in New Jersey

March 18, 2025

WHEREAS, the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG) 2025 Problem Gambling Awareness Month theme is "Seeking Understanding," #PGAM2025, focusing on increasing awareness of problem gambling as a serious but often misunderstood mental health condition; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 theme "Seeking Understanding" is about fostering a deeper understanding of the issue so we can encourage empathy, reduce barriers to treatment, and provide support to those affected by gambling-related harm; and


WHEREAS, March 11, 2025, was Gambling Disorder Screening Day, and to make screening for gambling disorder easier and more effective, NCPG has partnered with the Cambridge Health Alliance Division on Addiction, which featured a free Gambling Disorder Screening Day Toolkit; and

WHEREAS, The Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, (CCGNJ) represents the best interest of problem and disordered gamblers and their families, recognizing that problem gambling is a treatable condition, focusing on education and resources for the public including 1-800-GAMBLER, training for professionals, and referring disordered gamblers and their families to treatment; and

WHEREAS, CCGNJG works with the New Jersey Department of Human Services, provides the executive and legislative branches of State government with relevant data on problem and disordered gambling, and provides guidance to private or public agencies who request it.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor's Council on Substance Use Disorder hereby recognizes March 2025 as "Problem Gambling Awareness Month" in New Jersey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to Governor Phil Murphy, the New Jersey Legislature, the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, County Alcohol and Drug Use Directors, and County Alliance Coordinators.



Neil Van Ess, Acting Chairman

March 18, 2025
Date