

State of New Jersey Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse PO Box 345 Trenton, NJ 08625-0345

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## RESOLUTION

## Recognizing the Month of April, 2012 as "Alcohol Awareness Month" in New Jersey

## April 17, 2012

WHEREAS, more than 18 million individuals or 8.5% of Americans suffer from alcohol-use disorders; and,

WHEREAS, there are countless millions of individuals, family members and children who experience the devastating effects of the alcohol problem of someone in their life; and,

WHEREAS, the annual economic cost of alcoholism and alcohol abuse has recently been estimated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to be \$223.5 billion; and,

**WHEREAS**, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) is sponsoring Alcohol Awareness Month in April 2012, with the theme "Healthy Choices, Healthy Communities: Prevent Underage Drinking"; and,

WHEREAS, NCADD's Alcohol Awareness Month is intended to raise awareness while encouraging people to make healthy and safe choices when it comes to alcohol use; and,

**WHEREAS**, affiliate in New Jersey, NCADD-New Jersey, has a rich history of raising public awareness about alcoholism and addressing underage drinking in the State.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse hereby recognizes the month of April 2012 as "Alcohol Awareness Month" in New Jersey.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to Governor Chris Christie, the New Jersey Legislature, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc., NCADD-New Jersey, County Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Directors and County Alliance Coordinators.

Neil Van Ess, Acting Chairman

17 April 2012 Date

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