

# State of New Jersey



## THE SENATE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY STATE HOUSE, TRENTON, N. J.

### JOINT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

By Senator GILL, Assemblyman GIBLIN and Assemblywoman TIMBERLAKE

**WHEREAS**, The Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey are pleased to acknowledge the auspicious occasion of National Poison Prevention Week, which will be observed March 17 to March 23, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, Accidental poisoning is the leading cause of unintentional injury and death in New Jersey, and National Poison Prevention Week is an opportunity for the New Jersey Poison Control Center to focus the public's attention on identifying poisoning hazards at home while sharing ways to prevent poisoning emergencies; and,

**WHEREAS**, The New Jersey Poison Control Center is actively involved in all aspects of poisoning and public health, from prevention to treatment and outreach, and it also plays an important role in the management and surveillance of drug abuse and in the detection of poison-related outbreaks and emergencies; and,

**WHEREAS**, People of all ages, and even pets, are at risk of poisoning, and most poisoning emergencies involve substances commonly found in homes, including medicines, household cleaning products, buttons, batteries, coins, magnets, and cosmetics; and,

**WHEREAS**, The New Jersey Poison Control Center's emergency and information hotline, available at all hours every day of the week, answers 50,000 calls each year, and provides the public with free, multi-lingual, and confidential medical advice about poison exposure from specially trained doctors and nurses who help eliminate thousands of unnecessary and expensive emergency room visits; and,

**WHEREAS**, It is altogether proper and fitting for the members of this Legislature to pause in their deliberations to note the importance of National Poison Prevention Week in New Jersey; now, therefore,

*Be It Resolved by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

That this Legislature hereby joins the New Jersey Poison Control Center in observing National Poison Prevention Week and urges all New Jerseyans to fittingly participate by taking steps that will help ensure the safety of themselves, their families, and their community; and,

*Be It Further Resolved*, That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution be signed by the Senate President and the Assembly Speaker and attested by the Senate Secretary and the Assembly Clerk.

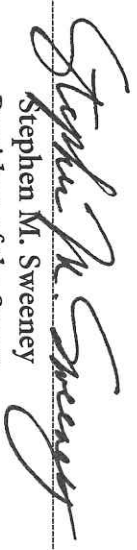
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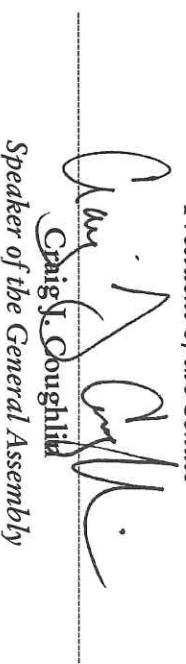


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