

# ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

No. 209

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JANUARY 10, 2023

**Sponsored by:**

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**District 18 (Middlesex)**

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**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

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**Assemblyman Mukherji, Assemblywoman Jimenez, Assemblymen Stanley,  
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**SYNOPSIS**

Designates November 20th of each year as “World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims” in NJ.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/10/2023)

1   **A JOINT RESOLUTION** designating November 20th of each year as  
2       “World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims” in New  
3       Jersey.  
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5   **WHEREAS**, Fatalities resulted from 667 traffic incidents in New Jersey  
6       during 2021; and  
7   **WHEREAS**, New Jersey traffic incidents resulted in 697 fatalities  
8       during 2021, the highest number in 14 years; and  
9   **WHEREAS**, Many more New Jersey residents are injured or disabled  
10      by traffic accidents annually; and  
11   **WHEREAS**, Traffic incidents cause death, injury, disability, or grief  
12      for many New Jersey residents each year; and  
13   **WHEREAS**, Emergency response and medical professionals provide  
14      services which save lives and minimize injury after traffic  
15      incidents; and  
16   **WHEREAS**, Emergency responders face a heightened risk of post-  
17      traumatic stress, depression, and suicidal ideation due to regularly  
18      managing scenes of significant injury or death; and  
19   **WHEREAS**, World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is  
20      an occasion to acknowledge the suffering of victims, families, and  
21      communities due to traffic incidents; and  
22   **WHEREAS**, World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is  
23      an opportunity to spread awareness of the devastation and the  
24      preventability of many traffic incidents; and  
25   **WHEREAS**, Many governments and organizations recognize World  
26      Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims as an opportunity to  
27      educate the public on crash prevention; and  
28   **WHEREAS**, World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is a  
29      chance to pay tribute to the emergency response and medical  
30      professionals who assist in the traumatic aftermath of traffic  
31      incidents; and  
32   **WHEREAS**, World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims  
33      originated in 1995, with European observance quickly spreading to  
34      non-governmental organizations in Africa, South America, and  
35      Asia; and  
36   **WHEREAS**, The United Nations recognizes World Day of  
37      Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims on the third Sunday of  
38      every November; and  
39   **WHEREAS**, The United States Department of Transportation  
40      recognizes World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims;  
41      and  
42   **WHEREAS**, It is fitting and proper that this State designate November  
43      20th of each year as “World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic  
44      Victims” in New Jersey; now, therefore,  
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46        **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*  
47        *State of New Jersey:*

