WHEREAS, beginning on October 28, 2012, and continuing through October 30, 2012, Hurricane Sandy struck the State of New Jersey with high winds and torrential rains; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Sandy produced unprecedented severe weather conditions, including enormous storm surges and devastating flooding; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Sandy has destroyed entire communities across New Jersey, and left much of the State inaccessible; and

WHEREAS, the damage caused from Hurricane Sandy, including fallen trees, downed power lines, damage to roadways, and disruptions in electrical service has produced dangerous conditions throughout the State that continue to jeopardize the public safety; and

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2012, children and their families across New Jersey plan to share in the holiday of Halloween; and

WHEREAS, the hazardous conditions created by Hurricane Sandy make the traditional community celebrations of Halloween, including neighborhood “trick or treating” walks both dangerous to our State’s children, and imprudent at a time when all New Jerseyans are struggling to cope with their losses; and
WHEREAS, it is necessary to take action to minimize additional risks to lives and the public safety as the State begins rebuilding and recovering from Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2012, in light of the dangers posed by Hurricane Sandy, and pursuant to the authority provided under the Constitution and statutes of the State of New Jersey, particularly the provisions of N.J.S.A. App. A:9-33, et seq., N.J.S.A. 38A:3-6.1, and N.J.S.A. 38A:2-4, and all amendments and supplements thereto, I declared a State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the N.J.S.A. App. A:9-34 and -51, I reserved the right to utilize and employ all available resources of the State government to protect against the emergency created by Hurricane Sandy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. Celebrations of Halloween scheduled for October 31, 2012 in all parts of New Jersey shall be held on Monday, November 5, 2012.
2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this day of 
Two Thousand and Twelve, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-Seventh.

Chris Christie
Governor

Attest:

Charles B. McKenna
Chief Counsel to the Governor