

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 334

WHEREAS, James R. "Jim" Hurley served the State of New Jersey as Minority Leader of both the Senate and the General Assembly and as a Member and Chairman of the Casino Control Commission; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley was born in 1932 in Seaford, Delaware, and moved to Millville, New Jersey in the 1950s; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley attended the University of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley served in the United States Army from 1955 to 1957; and

WHEREAS, in 1956 Senator Hurley married the late Walda "Wally" Reed Hurley, with whom he had three children, Leslie, Jamie, and Kerri Anna; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley, a Republican, was first elected to public office in 1966, when he was elected to the Cumberland County Board of Chosen Freeholders; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley was elected to the General Assembly in 1968, representing the 1st Legislative District, and served in numerous leadership positions, including as Assembly Minority Leader from 1977 to 1982; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley was elected to the Senate in 1981, representing the 1st Legislative District, and served in numerous leadership positions, including as Senate Minority Leader from 1987 to 1990; and

WHEREAS, throughout his time in the Legislature, Senator Hurley fought for cleaner oceans, for veterans and first responders, and for investments in our communities; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley resigned from the Legislature in 1990 to serve as a member of the Casino Control Commission, where he served as Chairman from 1998 until his retirement from public office in 2002; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1994, Senator Hurley served as the Casino Control Commission's representative to the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority, where he played a significant role in the economic development of Atlantic City; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley's commitment to public service extended beyond public office and included volunteering with a number of nonprofit organizations in Millville, focusing his energies on promoting affordable housing and helping lower-income families find and maintain housing; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley passed away in June 2023, at the age of 91; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley will be remembered for his lifetime of public service, leadership, and devotion to his community; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hurley will be deeply missed by his family, his friends, his former colleagues in the Legislature, the Casino Control Commission, and other organizations in which he served, and the people of Millville, Cumberland County, and the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we mourn Senator Hurley's passing and extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commemorate Senator Hurley's remarkable legacy of public service and mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, 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. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours

on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 in recognition and mourning of Senator Jim Hurley, a lifelong public servant.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
20th day of June,
Two Thousand and Twenty-
three, and of the
Independence of the United
States, the Two Hundred and
Forty-Seventh.

[seal]

/s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Parimal Garg

Chief Counsel to the Governor