WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 144 (2009) created the New Jersey Hellenic-American Heritage Commission (“Commission”) to recognize, study, and promote Hellenic heritage, culture, and history; and

WHEREAS, Americans of Hellenic ancestry contribute to the cultural, social, and economic strength of our State and our nation; and

WHEREAS, the dissemination of knowledge of the heritage, culture, and history of Hellenes and Americans of Hellenic ancestry continues to be important to the State of New Jersey and its residents; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 144 (2009) expired on June 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 157 (2014) extended the expiration date of Executive Order No. 144 (2009) to June 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of my Administration’s commitment to promoting New Jersey’s rich and diverse cultural heritage, it is therefore appropriate for the Commission to continue its work without expiration;

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. Executive Order No. 157 (2014) is hereby rescinded.

2. Paragraph 13 of Executive Order No. 144 (2009) is amended to remove the words “and shall expire in five (5) years from the date of this order”. 
3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 29th day of May, Two Thousand and Nineteen, and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundred and Forty-Third.

[seal] /s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Matthew J. Platkin

Chief Counsel to the Governor