

# State of New Jersey



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

### JOINT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION By Senator CRUZ-PEREZ and Assemblymen SPEARMAN and MOEN

**WHEREAS,** The Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey are pleased to acknowledge the South Jersey Transportation Authority, highly esteemed in the Garden State, in recognition of its efforts to improve the quality of life for all New Jerseyans through its Roadway Environmental Advancement Initiative; and,

**WHEREAS,** In 2017, the South Jersey Transportation Authority established the Roadway Environmental Advancement Initiative, also known as READI, to expand upon preexisting environmental programs, such as roadside flower plantings and elementary school educational presentations, and, since then, this remarkable endeavor, which greatly benefits from intern participation through Stockton University, has garnered acclaim by the International Bridge, Tunnel, and Turnpike Association in 2018; and,

**WHEREAS,** In addition to the positive impact READI has made, the South Jersey Transportation Authority has implemented several projects to safeguard New Jersey's wildlife and environment, including osprey platforms, three wildlife culvert crossings along the Atlantic City Expressway, and its stormwater management program, which was lauded by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and received the Governor's Environmental Excellence Award; and,

**WHEREAS,** The strength and success of the State of New Jersey and the vitality of our cities, towns, and boroughs greatly depend upon outstanding organizations, exemplified by the South Jersey Transportation Authority, which harness vast resources to protect our precious natural resources; and,

**WHEREAS,** It is altogether fitting and proper for the members of this Legislature to pause in their deliberations to commend the South Jersey Transportation Authority and affirm the importance of its Roadway Environmental Advancement Initiative to the people of this State, now, therefore,

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

That this Legislature hereby salutes the South Jersey Transportation Authority, pays tribute to its sterling record of service and commitment, and extends sincere best wishes for continued vigor in the future; and,

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

Attest:



Madison B. Franchi  
Secretary of the Senate



Dana M. Burley  
Clerk of the General Assembly

Nicholas P. Scutari  
President of the Senate

Craig J. Coughlin  
Speaker of the General Assembly