## SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 126**

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### DATED: JUNE 15, 2023

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Joint Resolution No. 126.

As amended, this joint resolution permanently designates the fourth Wednesday in May as "Crisis Professionals Day." The Governor is respectively requested to annually issue a proclamation recognizing "Crisis Professionals Day" and calling upon public officials and the citizens of this State to observe the day with appropriate activities and programs.

Crisis professionals are trained professionals who engage with people experiencing a crisis, when they are most vulnerable, oftentimes as a result of illness and trauma. Crisis professionals work to deescalate crisis situations using methods that center around empathy, support, and hope. Recognizing "Crisis Professionals Day" recognizes and honors the life-changing and lifesaving services that crisis professionals provide, as well as the invaluable contributions they provide to the communities and people of New Jersey.

### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments make various technical changes involving punctuation and syntax.