

SENATE MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 26

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

The Senate Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably Senate Joint Resolution No. 26.

This joint resolution designates May of each year as Military Spouse Appreciation Month.

The men and women in the Armed Forces courageously defend our Nation and State, and keep its citizens safe. As they make heroic sacrifices for their country, their husbands and wives are often left to deal with the strains of relocation and deployment.

Though most military spouses do not wear a uniform themselves, they serve and strengthen our Nation and State every day by providing our brave troops with support, comfort, and love. They are the rock on which their families, our military community, and our security depend. They deserve recognition for the contributions and sacrifices they make.

This State recognizes the selfless and extraordinary service and sacrifices of military spouses, and designates May of each year as Military Spouse Appreciation Month in New Jersey.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 2026-2027 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.