

# SENATE RESOLUTION No. 111

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### 218th LEGISLATURE

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**Sponsored by:**

**Senator STEPHEN M. SWEENEY**

**District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator A.R.Bucco**

**SYNOPSIS**

Commends Delta Dental of New Jersey Foundation, Zufall Health, and New Jersey Dental Association for providing free dental care to veterans and families on November 3 and 4, 2018.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 **A SENATE RESOLUTION** commending the Delta Dental of New  
2 Jersey Foundation, Zufall Health, and the New Jersey Dental  
3 Association for providing free dental care to veterans and their  
4 families on November 3 and 4, 2018.

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6 **WHEREAS**, The Delta Dental of New Jersey Foundation, Zufall  
7 Health, and the New Jersey Dental Association will provide free  
8 dental services to United States military veterans and their families  
9 on November 3 and 4, 2018 at the Zufall Health Center in Dover,  
10 New Jersey, as part of the “Smiles for Our Heroes” event; and

11 **WHEREAS**, The event is also sponsored by the New Jersey branch of  
12 the American Dental Hygienists’ Association and the New Jersey  
13 Dental Assistants’ Association; and

14 **WHEREAS**, The free dental services will include routine examinations,  
15 cleanings, oral cancer assessments, x-ray services, fillings,  
16 extractions, root canals, and denture services; and

17 **WHEREAS**, The event will also include free food, giveaways, and  
18 access to informational and other resources; and

19 **WHEREAS**, The event’s sponsors will provide free transportation to the  
20 event, with pick-up points available in Morris, Sussex, Warren,  
21 Hunterdon, Somerset, and Essex counties; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Dental health is an important component of overall health,  
23 and studies suggest that oral bacteria and the inflammation  
24 associated with gum disease may play a role in causing endocarditis  
25 and cardiovascular disease; and

26 **WHEREAS**, Many veterans have a difficult time finding room in their  
27 budgets for high quality dental services for themselves and their  
28 families; and

29 **WHEREAS**, Veterans have bravely sacrificed for their country, and the  
30 State of New Jersey has a strong interest in ensuring that veterans  
31 have access to high quality dental care in return for their honorable  
32 service; and

33 **WHEREAS**, It is fitting and proper for this House to commend the  
34 Delta Dental of New Jersey Foundation, Zufall Health, and the New  
35 Jersey Dental Association for providing free dental services to  
36 veterans, and to encourage them and other organizations to continue  
37 to offer such programs in the future; now, therefore,

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39 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:*

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41 1. This House commends the Delta Dental of New Jersey  
42 Foundation, Zufall Health, and the New Jersey Dental Association  
43 for providing free dental care to veterans and their families on  
44 November 3 and 4, 2018.

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46 2. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State,  
47 shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Chairman

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1 of the Delta Dental of New Jersey Foundation’s Board of Trustees,  
2 the Chief Executive Officer of Zufall Health, and the President of  
3 the New Jersey Dental Association.

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**STATEMENT**

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8 This Senate resolution commends the Delta Dental of New  
9 Jersey Foundation, Zufall Health, and the New Jersey Dental  
10 Association for providing free dental care to veterans and their  
11 families on November 3 and 4, 2018.

12 The “Smiles for Our Heroes” event, which is also sponsored by  
13 the New Jersey branch of the American Dental Hygienists  
14 Association and the New Jersey Dental Assistants Association, will  
15 include free routine examinations, cleanings, oral cancer  
16 assessments, x-ray services, fillings, extractions, root canals, and  
17 denture services. The event will also include free food, giveaways,  
18 and access to informational and other resources, and free  
19 transportation to the event from various locations in the State.

20 Dental health is an important component of overall health, yet  
21 many veterans have a difficult time finding room in their budgets  
22 for high quality dental services for themselves and their families. It  
23 is thus fitting and proper for the Senate to recognize the Delta  
24 Dental of New Jersey Foundation, Zufall Health, and the New  
25 Jersey Dental Association for providing these services, and to  
26 encourage them and other organizations to continue to provide such  
27 programs in the future.