

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 168

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JON M. BRAMNICK

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SYNOPSIS

Finds Governor Murphy's violation of executive order limiting public gatherings to 25 people deeply concerning.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION finding Governor Philip D. Murphy's
2 violation of Executive Order No. 148 (2020) deeply concerning to
3 this House.

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5 WHEREAS, On May 22, 2020, Governor Philip D. Murphy issued
6 Executive Order No. 148 (2020) limiting the capacity on outdoor
7 gatherings to no more than 25 people at the same time; and

8 WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 148 (2020) required all attendees at a
9 gathering to be six feet apart from other attendees at all times,
10 excluding family members, caretakers, household members, or
11 romantic partners; and

12 WHEREAS, On June 7, 2020, Governor Murphy attended a public
13 gathering of more than 25 people in Hillside, New Jersey and in
14 Westfield, New Jersey, which violated Executive Order No. 148
15 (2020); and

16 WHEREAS, The Legislature is deeply concerned with the fact that
17 Governor Murphy violated his own executive order; and

18 WHEREAS, Rather than rescind or revise his executive order to allow
19 all residents of this State to be treated equally, the Governor
20 intentionally violated his own executive order; and

21 WHEREAS, Governor Murphy should be held to the same standard as
22 other New Jerseyans cited for participating in public gatherings of
23 more than 25 people in violation of Executive Order No. 148 (2020);
24 and

25 WHEREAS, The laws of this State must be enforced in a fair and
26 consistent manner and everyone is entitled to equal protection of the
27 law; now, therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of the State of New
30 Jersey:

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32 1. This House finds Governor Philip D. Murphy's violation of
33 Executive Order No. 148 (2020), which limits the capacity on
34 outdoor gatherings to no more than 25 people at the same time, to be
35 deeply concerning as the Governor's actions were inconsistent with
36 the Governor's public service announcements and the laws of this
37 State.

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39 2. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State,
40 shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the General Assembly to the
41 Governor and Attorney General of the State of New Jersey.

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43 STATEMENT

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45 This resolution finds Governor Murphy's violation of an executive
46 order limiting public gatherings to 25 people deeply concerning.

47 On May 22, 2020, Governor Philip D. Murphy issued Executive
48 Order No. 148 (2020) limiting the capacity on outdoor gatherings to

1 no more than 25 people at the same time. The executive order also
2 required all attendees at a gathering to be six feet apart from other
3 attendees at all times, excluding family members, caretakers,
4 household members, or romantic partners.

5 On June 7, 2020, in violation of the executive order, Governor
6 Murphy attended a public gathering of more than 25 people in
7 Hillside, New Jersey and in Westfield, New Jersey. The Legislature
8 is deeply concerned with Governor Murphy's actions to intentionally
9 violate his own executive order rather than rescind or revise the
10 executive order to allow all residents of this State to be treated
11 equally.

12 Governor Murphy should be held to the same standard as other
13 New Jerseyans cited for participating in public gatherings of more
14 than 25 people in violation of Executive Order No. 148 (2020). The
15 laws of this State must be enforced in a fair and consistent manner
16 and everyone is entitled to equal protection of the law.