

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13**

WHEREAS, Senator Carmen A. Orechio was a committed public servant who served the people of Nutley and the State of New Jersey tirelessly for decades; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio was born in Nutley in 1926, where he graduated from high school and would reside for most of his life; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio graduated from Rutgers University and fearlessly served his country overseas during World War II in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio first held elected office on the Nutley Board of Commissioners in 1968 and over several decades would serve as Mayor of Nutley on three occasions; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio was elected to the New Jersey State Senate in 1973, where he would serve as Senate Majority Leader and eventually Senate President, a position he held from 1982 to 1985; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio dutifully served as Acting Governor during each year of his tenure as Senate President; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio contributed to many worthwhile causes during his many years as a public servant, including health care and services for children and senior citizens, and was particularly committed to public safety and public affairs, having long served as the Public Safety director and as the Public Affairs director as a member of the Nutley Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio served admirably as Chairman of the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission, and as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Clara Maass Hospital Foundation and of the Garden State Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio was actively involved with his local community in numerous capacities, including as President of the Nutley Jaycees, Commander of the Nutley Amvets, and as President of the Nutley Old Guard; and

WHEREAS, Senator Orechio was a beloved husband, father, and grandfather, whose presence will be sorely missed by his family, his many friends, his colleagues, and by the people of New Jersey whom he served so well; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that we mourn the passing of Senator Orechio, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the exemplary character, outstanding achievements, and cherished memory of Senator Carmen A. Orechio, and to mark his passing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. The flag of the United States of America and the flag of New Jersey shall be flown at half-staff at all State departments, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities during appropriate hours on Friday, March 2, 2018, in recognition and mourning of a dedicated and tireless public servant, Senator Carmen A. Orechio.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this  
27<sup>th</sup> day of February,  
Two Thousand and Eighteen, and  
of the Independence of the  
United States, the Two Hundred  
and Forty-Second.

[seal]

/s/ Philip D. Murphy  
Governor

Attest:

/s/ Matthew J. Platkin

Chief Counsel to the Governor