

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 97

WHEREAS, Francis Charles "Chuck" Chiarello was a dedicated public servant who tirelessly served the people of the State of New Jersey for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello was born in New York City in 1955; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello moved to Atlantic City and completed the entirety of his academic career in New Jersey, graduating from Holy Spirit High School in Absecon; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello attended the Richard Stockton College in Pomona, New Jersey, earning a degree in Business/Marketing in 1977; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello continued his academic endeavors at the Human Resource Development Institute at Fairleigh Dickinson University, Rutgers University, and the Atlantic County Fire Academy; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello moved to Buena Vista Township in 1977 and began his successful political career twenty-eight years ago with his appointment as a Township Committeeman; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello was elected Mayor of Buena Vista Township in 1996 and honorably served his community as Mayor for the rest of his life; and

WHEREAS, among Mayor Chiarello's most notable accomplishments was the acquisition and complete revitalization of Richland Village along U.S. Route 40 in Buena Vista Township; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Mayor Chiarello also served as Chairman of the Atlantic County Democratic Committee from 1998 to 2004, as Atlantic City Expressway Manager of the South Jersey Transportation Authority from 2002 to 2006, and as Facilities Planning Manager at the Atlantic City International Airport from 2006 to 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello admirably and continuously devoted his time and efforts to improving municipal government across New Jersey, serving as past president of the New Jersey League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Conference of Mayors, and the Atlantic County Mayors Association; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello's dedication to his community extended outside the world of government, as he devoted many years of service to the Milmay Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Chiarello's presence will be sorely missed by his family, countless friends, colleagues, and by the people of New Jersey whom he served so well; and

WHEREAS, it is with great sorrow that we mourn the passing of Mayor Chiarello, and extend our deepest sympathy to his wife, Cheryl, his family, friends, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor the exemplary character, outstanding achievements, and cherished memory of Mayor Chiarello, 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 Monday, December 23, 2019, in recognition and mourning of a dedicated and tireless public servant, Mayor Francis Charles "Chuck" Chiarello.

2. This Order shall take effect immediately.

[seal] GIVEN, under my hand and seal this,
19th day of December,
Two Thousand and Nineteen, and
of the Independence of the
United States, the Two Hundred
and Forty-Fourth.

/s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Matthew J. Platkin

Chief Counsel to the Governor