

State of New Jersey



THE SENATE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY STATE HOUSE, TRENTON, N. J.

JOINT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

By Senator SINGER and Assemblymen KEAN and Thomson

WHEREAS, The Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey are pleased to salute the Lakewood BlueClaws, a highly esteemed Minor League Baseball Team in the Garden State, upon the auspicious occasion of Jersey Shore BlueClaws Day in Asbury Park on October 21, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, This noteworthy event will usher in a new and exciting era in BlueClaws history as the franchise makes an important announcement about its future; and,

WHEREAS, A Class-A affiliate of the Philadelphia Phillies, the Lakewood BlueClaws have made their home in the Garden State since 2001, and they have since delighted their faithful fans with a thrilling brand of baseball at affordable prices in a fun and welcoming atmosphere; and,

WHEREAS, Although the COVID-19 pandemic canceled the 2020 season, the Lakewood BlueClaws have provided their community with much-needed entertainment by hosting safe, low-contact movie screenings and comedy nights at their home field, FirstEnergy Park; and,

WHEREAS, Numerous diamond legends have donned a BlueClaws uniform on their way to the Major Leagues, including MVP Ryan Howard, World Series MVP Cole Hamels, and All-Stars Michael Bourn, Shane Victorino; and,

WHEREAS, Within all spheres, the Lakewood BlueClaws have established a model to emulate and set a standard of excellence toward which others might strive; and,

WHEREAS, It is altogether proper and fitting for this Legislature to pause in its deliberations to recognize the Lakewood BlueClaws and affirm their importance to the people of Lakewood, Ocean County, and this State; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

That this Legislature hereby lauds the Lakewood BlueClaws, pays tribute to their meritorious record of service and commitment, and extends sincere best wishes for their continued success and vigor in all the years to come; and,

Be It Further Resolved, That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution, signed by the Senate President and the Assembly Speaker and attested by the Senate Secretary and the Assembly Clerk, be transmitted to the Lakewood BlueClaws.

Attest:



Linda Metzger
Secretary of the Senate



Dana M. Burley
Clerk of the General Assembly

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Stephen M. Sweeney
President of the Senate

Handwritten signature of Craig J. Coughlin in black ink.
Craig J. Coughlin
Speaker of the General Assembly