

RESOLUTION

Supporting a Safe, In-Person Graduation for the Senior Class of 2020 for the Glassboro Public School District

WHEREAS, Executive Order 107, issued March 21, 2020, prohibits gatherings for parties and celebrations, which includes all in-person graduation ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, Guidance on Virtual Graduation Celebrations, issued by the Department of Education on May 8th, 2020 offered a number of ways to celebrate this year's graduating class; and

WHEREAS, the Glassboro Board of Education applauds Governor Murphy and the State Legislature for putting the health and well-being of our citizens first; and ask that these same restrictions that permit our families, colleagues and children to entire stores and retailers should be applied to voluntary graduation ceremonies, similar to the ceremony conducted by the United States Air Force Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Glassboro Board of Education is in support of the May 12, 2020 letter authored by our County Superintendents; and

WHEREAS the Glassboro Board of Education requests that you permit our senior class of 2020 the opportunity to conduct these ceremonies in June in a way that abides by the CDC's recommendations to practice social distancing measures throughout our graduation ceremonies; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Glassboro Board of Education urges the State Legislature and the Governor to support an in-person graduation ceremony for the senior class of 2020; in particular the senior class of the Glassboro Board of Education, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be delivered to Governor Phil Murphy, State Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin; and the other Legislative District's representatives in the state Senate and General Assembly as well as the New Jersey School Boards Association.

Adopted: May 27, 2020