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Rep. Briggs King & Rep. D. Short
Reps. Bennett, Paradee on behalf of all Representatives

DELAWARE STATE SENATE
149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF MARCH 27 THROUGH APRIL 3 OF 2017 AS HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS
WEEK IN DELAWARE

1 WHEREAS, over 2,000 people are served by homeless shelters, transitional housing facilities, and homeless
2 outreach teams in Delaware each year; and

3 WHEREAS, the amount of people experiencing homelessness in Delaware increased by 5.8% between 2014 and
4 2015 even as overall homelessness decreased in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, 3,847 Delaware students experienced homelessness during the 2014-2015 school year, more than any
6 previous year; and

7 WHEREAS, 11 percent of people experiencing homelessness in Delaware are veterans of the United States Armed
8 Forces; and

9 WHEREAS, there are over half a million individuals experiencing homelessness across America; and

10 WHEARAS, homeless populations are especially vulnerable in low temperatures; and

11 WHEREAS, Code Purple is a statewide movement that helps people who are homeless find a place of refuge or
12 shelter when winter weather conditions become too dangerous for individuals or families to remain outside; and

13 WHEREAS, Code Purple sites offer safe, warm shelter, meals, toiletries, and resources, and are staffed by trained
14 volunteers.

15 NOW, THEREFORE:

16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 149th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of
17 Representatives concurring therein, that the week of March 27 through April 3 of 2017 is recognized as Homelessness
18 Awareness Week in Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This resolution recognizes the week of March 23 through April 3 of 2017 as Homelessness Awareness Week in Delaware.

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