

**State of New Jersey  
Executive Order #49**

**Governor Jon S. Corzine**

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This Executive Order extended EO #208 (Kean), [EO #35](#) and [#90](#) (Florio) and [EO #37](#) and [#70](#) (Whitman) and was extended by EO [#12](#) (McGreevey).

WHEREAS, on April 25, 1988, in commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel, the State of New Jersey entered into a Sister State Agreement with Israel (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement") as a symbol of the potential for cooperation that exists between our two states; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement calls for the development of trade and cultural and educational exchanges, in addition to encouraging the development of capital investment and joint business ventures; and

WHEREAS, on May 31, 1989, the State of New Jersey established the New Jersey-Israel Commission (hereinafter referred to as "Commission") by Executive Order No. 208 (1989) to enhance New Jersey's ability to implement the stated goals of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Commission was continued by Executive Order No. 35 (1991) and Executive Order No. 90 (1993) through and including May 31, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Commission was continued by Executive Order No. 37 (1995) and Executive Order No. 70 (1997) until it expired on January 1, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Commission was extended and continued by Executive Order No. 12 (2002) through and including January 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has effectively fostered a spirit of cooperation between the citizens of the State of Israel and the citizens of the State of New Jersey that should continue in order to further the goals of the Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JON S. CORZINE, 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 New Jersey-Israel Commission is hereby extended and shall continue in existence through and including January 1, 2012.
2. The membership of the Commission shall be modified to consist of a minimum of fifteen (15) members and a maximum of one hundred (100) members. The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Governor. This shall include eight members who shall be State legislators, four of whom shall represent the Assembly, no more than two of whom shall be members of the same political party, and four of whom shall represent the Senate, no more than two of whom shall be members of the same political party. All legislative members shall be appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the Assembly and the President of the Senate respectively.

3. The membership of the members of the New Jersey-Israel Commission who were serving as of January 1, 2007 shall be considered to have ceased as of that date. However, any former member shall be eligible for appointment pursuant to this Order.
4. The Governor shall designate a chair and/or co-chairpersons of the Commission from among the members. The chair and/or co-chairpersons shall serve as such at the pleasure of the Governor.
5. All other provisions of Executive Order No. 208 (1989), Executive Order No. 35 (1991), Executive Order No. 90 (1993), Executive Order No. 37 (1995), Executive Order No. 70 (1997), and Executive Order No. 12 (2002) which are not inconsistent with this Order shall remain in full force and effect.
6. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 2nd day of January, Two Thousand and Seven, and of the Independence of the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-First.

/s/ Jon S. Corzine

Governor

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Attest:

/s/ Kenneth H. Zimmerman

Chief Counsel to the Governor