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## FIRST LADY OF NEW JERSEY TO SPEAK AT NCJW NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

TEANECK – National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section is honored and excited to host Tammy Snyder Murphy, the wife of the 56th Governor of New Jersey and New Jersey's own First Lady since 2018 as the speaker at its November General Meeting. Ms. Murphy has taken a public role with a policy portfolio and has an office down the hall from her husband. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 12:30 pm at Temple Emeth, 1666 Windsor Road in Teaneck.

A native of Virginia and a graduate of the University of Virginia in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication and English, she worked in finance and non-profits. She launched Nurture NJ, a statewide awareness campaign committed to reducing infant and maternal mortality and morbidity and ensuring equitable maternal and infant care among women and children of all races and ethnicities. She married Governor Murphy in 1997 and they have four children.

Four days after Phil Murphy was sworn in as Governor, Tammy Murphy told a crowd of thousands attending a Women's March in Morristown NJ that she too had been sexually assaulted in college. "The stories of the 'Me Too' movement have humbled the powerful and empowered the forgotten," she told the crowd that day. "I will add my voice to the growing chorus."

"Her commitment to women's rights, health care, the environment and justice for all are aligned with NCJW goals and vision," says Marilyn Sirulnick, NCJW's Co-Chair of Programming. "Please join us in giving New Jersey's First Lady a warm welcome at our exceptional November General Meeting."

The meeting is free for members; a \$10 charge for non-members is applicable toward new membership if paid that day. NCJW BCS provides educational and stimulating programs and speakers throughout the year, including six general meetings and a myriad of study groups, book groups, trips and advocacy opportunities. For more information on NCJW BCS and its upcoming programs, please visit <a href="https://www.ncjwbcs.org">www.ncjwbcs.org</a> or call 201- 385-4847.

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<u>Photo caption</u>: NJ First Lady Tammy Murphy will be the speaker at NCJW's November General Meeting.