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NJCCC HONORS ASSEMBLYMAN DAVID WOLFE

TOMS RIVER — As part of its annual Trustee Conference at the Trenton Marriott at Lafayette Yard, the New Jersey Council of County Colleges presented its 2010 Legislative Excellence Award to Assemblyman David Wolfe for his exemplary support of state's 19 community colleges.

Wolfe serves as Senior Assistant to Ocean County College President Jon H. Larson. He was especially recognized for his support of the New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Rewards (NJ STARS) scholarship program, as well as the financial aid for part-time community college students program, known as Part-Time Tuition Aid Grants.

“The New Jersey Council of County Colleges’ Legislative Excellence Award is an honor bestowed each year on selected legislators who have served as exceptional advocates for the state’s 19 community colleges,” said NJCCC Chairman Ronald Winthers. “We truly appreciate Assemblyman Wolfe’s passion and commitment to our community colleges and our students.”

Wolfe has represented the 10th legislative district (parts of Ocean and Monmouth Counties) in the General Assembly since 1992. He currently serves on the Assembly Budget and Assembly Education committees. He served on the Brick Township Council from 1976 to 1991, and was council president from 1980 to 1981 and from 1987 to 1988.

The assemblyman’s various appointments and memberships include the following: former chairman of the State Beach Erosion Commission, chairman of the Commission on Business Efficiency of the Public Schools, member of the Governor's Advisory Panel on Higher Education Restructuring, member of the Joint Committee on Public Schools, Advisory Board member of Health South Rehabilitation Hospital, board member of Ocean Federal Foundation, Preferred Behavioral Services Board of Directors, member of the Brick Township Republican Club and former member of the Brick Township Jaycees and Lions.

Wolfe has been honored with the Association of Retarded Citizens Humanitarian Award and the Ocean County College Alumni Distinguished Service Award. In 1995, he was named Brick Township's Republican of the Year. He has been given a Certificate of Appreciation from Richard Stockton State College of New Jersey and Veterans Memorial Elementary School.

He holds a master's degree in education from University of Delaware and a bachelor's degree in history from Westminster College. He also participated in the Honor Program at American University. Currently he is a professor of psychology at Ocean County College in Toms River.

The assemblyman and his wife, Carol, have six children.

The New Jersey Council of County Colleges is the state association representing New Jersey's 19 community colleges. As an independent, trustee-headed organization that joins the leadership of trustees and presidents, the Council is the voice of the community college sector before the state legislature and other branches of government.