

STATE SENATOR
JANE CLARE ORIE
40TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

JUN 08 2011

SENATE BOX 203040
ROOM 362, THE STATE CAPITOL
HARRISBURG, PA 17120-3040
717-787-6538 • FAX: 717-787-8625
E-MAIL: jorie@pasen.gov
WEBSITE: senatororie.com

LA CASA BLANCA BUILDING
9400 MCKNIGHT ROAD, SUITE 105
PITTSBURGH, PA 15237
412-630-9466 • FAX: 412-635-2199

2525 ROCHESTER ROAD, SUITE 207
CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP, PA 16066
724-776-3500 • FAX: 724-776-3582



Senate of Pennsylvania

COMMITTEES
AGING & YOUTH, VICE CHAIR
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & RECREATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
FINANCE
INTER-GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
JUDICIARY
RULES & EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS
JOINT HOUSE AND SENATE AUTISM
COMMITTEE, CHAIR
LUPUS, CHAIR
AMERICAN-ITALIAN CAUCUS
ARTHRITIS AND OSTEOPOROSIS CAUCUS
FIREFIGHTER AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
CAUCUS
HUNGER CAUCUS
IRISH CAUCUS

RESOLUTION COSPONSOR MEMO #9

TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Jane C. Orie 

DATE: June 8, 2011

SUBJECT: National Veterans Wheelchair Games

I will soon be introducing a resolution commemorating the 31st National Veterans Wheelchair Games, to be held in the City of Pittsburgh, from August 1-6, 2011. This year's event is being hosted by the Veterans Administration Pittsburgh Healthcare System (VAPHS) and the Keystone Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America.

This is the largest annual wheelchair sports competition in the world, offering 17 different sports to veterans who use wheelchairs due to spinal cord injuries, amputations and neurological diseases. The Games promote rehabilitation through rigorous competition in such events as basketball, rugby, softball, handcycling and others. A special "Kids Day" program allows children with disabilities to meet the athletes and be introduced to wheelchair sports. While past Games have produced national and world-class champions, the Games also provide opportunities for newly disabled veterans to gain sports skills and be exposed to other wheelchair athletes. This is the second time in the history of the Games that Pittsburgh will be the host city.

Please join me in cosponsoring this resolution by contacting Monica Armstrong at 787-6538 or by email at marmstrong@pasen.gov
JCO/ns