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## Governor Names Warren County's Freeholder Sarnoski to Task Force Combatting Child Abuse and Neglect

New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie has named Warren County Freeholder Jason J. Sarnoski to the New Jersey Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect.

Sarnoski was among three public members and three representatives of social service agencies Christie selected for the 30-member task force in appointments announced on Friday, Sept. 29, 2017.

"It's a great honor to be named to the Governor's Task Force," said Sarnoski, who was appointed to a three-year term, adding, "As the father of two young children, the thought of children like mine out there suffering from these type of situations is abhorrent to me."

The Task Force's purpose is to study and develop recommendations regarding the most effective means of improving the quality and scope of child protective and preventative services provided or supported by State government, including a review of the practices and policies utilized by the Child Protection and Permanency (formerly Youth and Family Services) and Family and Community Partnerships (formerly Prevention and Community Partnerships) in the Department of Children and Families.

The Task Force is comprised of volunteer members who are broadly representative of the community, including members who have expertise in the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect. Its 30 members possess a variety of experience ranging from child protection and law enforcement to advocates for children and parents.

"I look forward to working with the task force on combatting child abuse and neglect wherever it may exist in the State of New Jersey," said Sarnoski.

A freeholder since 2011, Sarnoski serves as the freeholder board liaison for Public Health and Human Services, and is a trustee of Warren County Legal Services. He also is the County's representative to the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, as well as a member of the Workforce Investment Board of Morris/Sussex/Warren.