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### **Middlesex's Institute of Management Director Honored with Community College Spirit Award**

TRENTON, N.J.—At its annual Trustee Conference on June 16, the New Jersey Council of County Colleges presented the 2008 Community College Spirit Award to Middlesex County College Director of the Institute of Management and Technical Development Dr. Patricia Moran for her exemplary service to New Jersey's community colleges.

“Since its inauguration in 1993, the Community College Spirit Award has been an honor bestowed to those who embody the community college spirit – perseverance, dedication and excellence,” said Dr. Richard Wellbrock, Council chairman.

Moran, a resident of Neshanic Station, was recognized for her accomplishments as one of five members of Team New Jersey, a group of community college customized training specialists who provided training to over 800 New Jersey small business employees as part of the New Jersey Basic Skills Workforce Training Program, a partnership among the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, the New Jersey Business & Industry Association and New Jersey's community colleges.

“Team New Jersey booked 25 percent of the training that took place under this

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partnership,” Wellbrock added.

Moran has served as director of the Institute of Management and Technical Development since 2004. She handles the training for a multitude of companies and private organizations. Additionally, she writes New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development training grants for numerous companies in an effort to provide training and close skills gaps. She currently services more than 90 companies on various training and consulting projects.

Prior to her appointment at Middlesex County College, Moran was the director of training for the Ford Motor Company Edison Assembly Plant. While in that position, she managed the training for more than 1,600 employees on two shifts.

Moran serves on the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce and the Convention and Visitor’s Bureau. She is also a long-time Girl Scout and 4-H leader.

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. The Council is also the state coordinating organization for all community colleges in New Jersey.