

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

## Proclamation.

WHEREAS, clean air is of the utmost importance to the health and well-being of New Jersey residents; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is committed to developing clean renewable energy to protect against climate threats and ensure cleaner, healthier air for the public; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has set goals to speed up the transition to a 100% clean energy economy; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has committed to improve the quality of life in New Jersey's overburdened communities by incorporating environmental justice in our State agencies and programs; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is a national leader in controlling sources of air pollution in the State, resulting in improving air quality; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has committed to modernize environmental laws to protect against climate threats and invest in clean transportation; and

WHEREAS, the combustion of fossil fuels contributes to human-caused climate change; and,

WHEREAS, climate change will continue to contribute to sea-level rise, flooding and extreme weather, conditions to which New Jersey is particularly vulnerable; and,

WHEREAS, New Jersey residents are also exposed to many other toxic air pollutants, including diesel exhaust; and

- WHEREAS, New Jersey has shown steady declines over the past four decades in the levels of air pollution in outdoor air, but still has further improvements to make; and

WHEREAS, the public is concerned about air pollution and climate change, and supports reducing air pollutants to make New Jersey a cleaner, safer, healthier place to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey residents and business owners can apply zero carbon and clean energy technologies, and sustainable environmental practices to improve air quality, and conserve and save energy, money and the environment; and

WHEREAS, if the individuals, businesses, industry and the local governments in New Jersey work together, along with other states and the federal government, healthier air quality can be achieved; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the serious health and welfare issues associated with air pollution, the federal government has established the week of May 5, 2025, as National Air Quality Awareness Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

## MAY 5 THROUGH MAY 9, 2025 AS ALD OUT ITY AWARENESS WEET

AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK

in New Jersey.

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, the fourteenth day of April in the year two thousand twentyfive, the two-hundred forty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States.

Lt. GOVERNOR

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