Proclamation

WHEREAS, public health organizations use National Public Health Week to educate the public, policymakers and public health professionals about issues that are important to improving the health of the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme of "Healthiest Nation 2030" highlights the goal of making the United States the healthiest Nation in one generation; and

WHEREAS, the value of a strong public health system is in the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat and the places where we live, learn, work and play; and

WHEREAS, public health professionals help communities prevent, prepare for, withstand and recover from the impact of a full range of health threats including natural or man-made disasters and disease outbreaks by collaborating with non-traditional partners such as city planners, transportation and education officials and private sector businesses; and

WHEREAS, studies show that small strategic investments in prevention could result in significant savings in health care costs; and

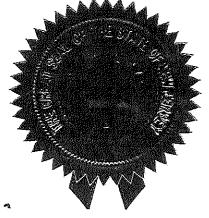
WHEREAS, in communities across the country, more people are changing the way they care for their health by avoiding tobacco use, eating healthier, becoming more physically active and preventing unintentional injuries at home and in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, by adequately supporting health and prevention, we can continue to transform a health system focused on treating illness to one which focuses on preventing disease and promoting wellness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

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in New Jersey and encourage all residents to learn about the role of the public health system in improving the health in our State and Nation.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this first day of April in the year two thousand fifteen, the two hundred thirtyninth year of the Independence of the United States.