

STATE OF NEW JERSEY EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



WHEREAS, this year marks the 60th Anniversary when United States President John F. Kennedy and the Governors of New Jersey, Delaware, New York and Pennsylvania signed concurrent legislation creating the Delaware River Basin Commission; and

WHEREAS, the signing of the Delaware River Basin Compact marked the first time since our nation's birth that the federal government and a group of states joined together as equal partners in a river basin planning, development and regulatory agency; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware River is the longest in-damned United States river east of the Mississippi whose basin covers 13,539 squares miles; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Basin provides water for 13.3 million people and contributes about \$22 billion is annual economic activity, along with supporting 600,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Basin Commission oversees water quality protection, water supply allocation, regulatory review, water conservation initiatives, watershed planning, drought management, flood loss reduction and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Basin Commission holds public business meetings and hearings on policy matters and water resource projects under regulatory review; and

WHEREAS, Brigadier General Thomas J. Tickner is currently elected as Chair of the Delaware River Basin Commission; and

WHEREAS, As Governor, it is my pleasure to commend and recognize the Delaware River Basin Commission for its vision to provide trusted, effective, and coordinated management of our shared water resources; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware River Basin Commission is guided by its core values of service to the public, respect for the Basin's water resources, and professionalism defined by high ethical standards and accountability;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby join with the Delaware River Basin Commission to commemorate:

60th ANNIVERSARY OF THE DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-seventh day of October in the year two thousand twentyone, the two hundred forty-sixth year of the Independence of the United States.

Lt. GOVERNOR