



**Adoption Resolution  
May 3, 2023**

**State of New Jersey**  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Resolution in Honor of Better Hearing and Speech Month in New Jersey**

**Whereas**, the month of May 2023 is being celebrated nationally as Better Hearing and Speech Month; and

**Whereas**, the New Jersey State Board of Education recognizes that many students have communication disorders and acknowledges the significance that the ability to communicate plays in building personal and societal relationships as students grow and mature; and

**Whereas**, Better Hearing and Speech Month is a time to raise awareness about communication disorders and to encourage children and families to receive appropriate screenings and evaluations; and

**Whereas**, Better Hearing and Speech Month is also a time to acknowledge the hard work of audiologists, speech-language pathologists, and speech, language, and hearing scientists and the contributions they make that remarkably affect the lives of students in New Jersey; and

**Whereas**, these professionals are invested in serving the needs of students with speech, language, and hearing disorders to foster success in all aspects of their lives by prioritizing effective communication for the highest quality of life; and

**Whereas**, the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association supports students and professionals by its professional development offerings, advocacy efforts, and public awareness campaigns designed to ensure that high-quality care is provided; and

**Whereas**, it is both fitting and proper that special recognition be given to acknowledge May 2023 as Better Hearing and Speech Month along with commending the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association for its role in providing outstanding service to professionals throughout the State of New Jersey; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Acting Commissioner of Education recognize May 2023 as Better Hearing and Speech Month in New Jersey.

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