WHEREAS, New Jersey proclaims "Rural Health Weeks 2018," a two-week celebration to inspire communities across NJ to address and resolve their most challenging health issues in their communities; and

WHEREAS, "Rural Health Weeks 2018" is a statewide event from September 16 through September 30, 2018 with the theme; "Connecting Communities and Developing Networks;" and

WHEREAS, "Rural Health Weeks 2018" is an opportunity to be innovative, educate, collaborate and communicate ideas to transform and lead change in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Primary Care & Rural Health and the New Jersey Rural Health Advisory Committee serve as a statewide resource for rural health concerns, to improve rural health, and to foster access to health services for rural New Jerseyans through collaboration and integration; and

WHEREAS, the rural citizens of New Jersey are invited to share, celebrate and showcase their outcomes on how they work together on health and wellness; and

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

SEPTEMBER 16 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

AS

RURAL HEALTH WEEKS

in New Jersey and encourage citizens to honor our rural communities as wonderful places to live, work and play.

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this fourth day of September in the year two thousand eighteen, the two hundred forty-third year of the Independence of the United States.

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Lt. GOVERNOR

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