



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that is the second leading cause of lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, prolonged exposure to radon can kill as many as 500 people in New Jersey each year; and

WHEREAS, families who reside in homes with elevated radon levels are at risk of developing serious health problems; and

WHEREAS, any home could have high levels, even when neighboring homes do not; and

WHEREAS, radon testing can be done with great ease at a relatively low expense to the homeowner, with the cost of reducing radon concentrations being comparable to a home repair; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the United States Environmental Protection Agency are collaborating during the month of January to promote the need for radon testing in an effort to protect the lives of our State's residents; and

WHEREAS, if all New Jersey homes with radon concentrations at or above 4 pCi/L were mitigated, about 78 lives could be saved this year;

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

JANUARY 2018
AS
RADON ACTION MONTH

in New Jersey to promote radon awareness and testing in our State's homes so that residents are better prepared to protect themselves and their families against the devastating effects of high radon levels.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this nineteenth day of December in the year two thousand seventeen, the two hundred forty-second year of the Independence of the United States.

Kim Guadagno
LT. GOVERNOR

Chris Christie
GOVERNOR