



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *problem gambling is a significant public health issue affecting New Jersey residents of all ages and racial and ethnic backgrounds in communities throughout the state, and has a significant societal and economic cost; and*

WHEREAS, *problem gambling is a treatable disorder and proper management is invaluable in minimizing the harm to individuals, their families and society as a whole; and*

WHEREAS, *promoting an awareness month provides individuals in the problem gambling prevention and treatment community with an opportunity to educate the public and policymakers about the social and financial effectiveness of services available for problem gambling; and*

WHEREAS, *numerous individuals, professionals, and organizations have dedicated themselves to educating the public about problem gambling and the availability and success of treatment; and*

WHEREAS, *individuals can call the 1-800-GAMBLER Helpline, answered by The Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, to get 24/7 help for those struggling with problem gambling, or visit www.800gambler.org to learn about the Council's services and resources; and*

WHEREAS, *the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey's theme for the observance of Problem Gambling Awareness Month is "The Hidden Epidemic: A Public Health Concern";*

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

MARCH 2025
AS
PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-fifth day of February in the year two thousand twenty-five, the two hundred forty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States.


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