



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, crisis professionals are trained professionals who engage with people who are experiencing a crisis; and

WHEREAS, crisis professionals directly engage with people when they are most vulnerable, oftentimes as a result of illness and trauma, in an effort to de-escalate the crisis using methods that center around empathy, support, and hope; and

WHEREAS, when engaging with a person who is experiencing a crisis, the crisis professional assesses the situation and implements a course of care so that the children, adults, and families involved can obtain the treatment and support they need and deserve; and

WHEREAS, crisis professionals face high-stress situations on a regular basis and as a result have earned the State's highest respect and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, as a critical part of the acute care that New Jerseyans receive across the State, crisis professionals engage with New Jerseyans during the most traumatic, stressful, and challenging times of their lives; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the nationwide 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline has expanded public access to immediate behavioral health support, with crisis professionals playing a central role in responding to calls, texts, and chats from individuals in emotional distress; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to recognize and honor the life-changing and lifesaving services that crisis professionals provide, as well as the invaluable contributions they have provided to thousands of New Jerseyans and communities throughout the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mikie Sherrill, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

MAY 27, 2026

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CRISIS PROFESSIONALS DAY

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this fourth day of May in the year two thousand twenty-six, the two hundred fiftieth year of the Independence of the United States.

Dale G. Callahan
Lt. GOVERNOR

Mikie Sherrill
GOVERNOR