



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, state and local governments and school districts encourage and promote healthy and active lifestyles for students and residents of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, a lack of physical activity plays a leading role in rising rates of obesity, diabetes and other health problems and being able to walk or bike to school offers an opportunity to build activity into students' daily routines; and

WHEREAS, private motor transport to nearby schools contributes to traffic congestion and air pollution; and

WHEREAS, all stakeholders in the New Jersey Safe Routes to School Program strive to inform, assist, inspire, foster and encourage children and their parents to walk and bicycle safely to and from school in an effort to boost physical activity and exercise; and

WHEREAS, this commemoration shall provide an opportunity for students in New Jersey to walk and bicycle safely to and from school with a strong effort to promote and encourage healthy and active lifestyles and create safe environmental conditions for students and residents to walk and bike to school and around town; and

WHEREAS, National Bike to School Day is Wednesday, May 9, 2018;

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

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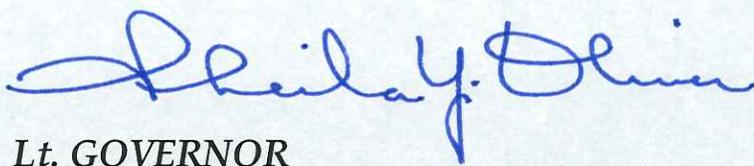
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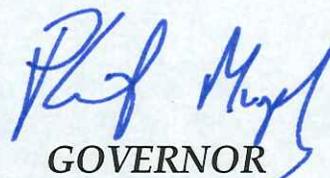
WALK AND BIKE TO SCHOOL MONTH

in New Jersey.



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


Lt. GOVERNOR


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