



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, New Jersey is home to thousands of seniors and younger adults with chronic conditions or disabilities who are in need of supportive services to maintain themselves in the community; and

WHEREAS, the primary source of community-based services and the cornerstone of our long-term care system are care recipients' family members, friends and neighbors who help their loved ones maintain their independence and their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Alliance for Caregiving, there are roughly 67 million family or informal caregivers in the United States, including 1.1 million in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, in many cases, family caregivers help prevent or delay costly institutional care by providing in-home assistance with daily activities made difficult due to illness or disability; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, in partnership with the federal government, county and local government and community organizations, administer vital programs that support caregivers, including, but not limited to, Global Options for Long-Term Care, Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving, Alzheimer's Adult Day Services Program and the Statewide Respite Care Program; and

WHEREAS, a number of caregiver advocacy and assistance organizations on the state and national levels also provide key support and empower family caregivers to act on behalf of themselves and their loved ones and work to raise awareness of their roles;

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

NOVEMBER 2020
AS
FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH

in New Jersey.



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

Philip D. Murphy
Lt. GOVERNOR

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