



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Association for Career and Technical Education has designated the month of February 2018 as "Career and Technical Education Month" nationally; and

WHEREAS, teachers, administrators, and school counselors involved in career and technical education serve more than 193,700 secondary and postsecondary students in the Garden State; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education programs incorporate a rigorous academic core coupled with a high-level technical curriculum to prepare students to be college and career ready; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education builds collaborative connections among education, economic development and workforce development to support healthy economic growth; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education offers opportunities for student leadership experiences supporting personal and professional growth, opportunities to apply academic knowledge and skills in meaningful contexts through partnerships with postsecondary institutions, business, industry, and community; and

WHEREAS, seven state career and technical student organizations serve more than 49,000 students in New Jersey through membership in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA); National FFA Association; Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); DECA Inc., an Association of Marketing Students; HOSA - Future Health Professionals; Technology Student Association (TSA) and SkillsUSA; and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive, innovative approach of career and technical education prepares students as global citizens for a lifetime of career and education choices;

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

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CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

in New Jersey, and call upon the citizens of the Garden State to recognize the value of career and technical education and its potential to successfully prepare students of all ages to meet the current and future demands of our rapidly changing global economy.



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


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