

STATEMENT IN OBSERVANCE OF RADIATION PROTECTION WEEK

Whereas, radiation is a useful and necessary part of our modern world; and

Whereas, Delaware has long recognized the efforts of students, teachers, and radiation protection professionals to deliver high quality, safe radiation procedures to protect the health and quality of life for Delawareans; and

Whereas, the Authority on Radiation Protection provides regulatory oversight and raises public awareness of radiation exposure to protect Delawareans and is celebrating its 40th anniversary; and

Whereas, the Office of Radiation Protection within the Division of Public Health regulates the use of ionizing radiation in medicine, industry, research and education, and provides health protection resources in the event of a radiological emergency; and

Whereas, Delaware Technical Community College is celebrating its 50th anniversary and has a two-year, associate degree Radiologic Technology program at its Georgetown and Wilmington campuses, feeding an employment pool of qualified health care workers in Delaware; and

Whereas, the Radiologic Technology Program at Owens Campus, celebrating its 30th anniversary, teaches how to administer quality, safe radiation procedures for careers in radiologic technology, nuclear medicine technology, and dental assisting; and

Whereas, radiation protection professionals work in partnership throughout fields such as health care, research and development, education, industry, and government to bring the benefits of radiation to the public while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and

Whereas, we call upon Delawareans to protect and enhance their personal health by learning more about their exposure to radiation through the Authority on Radiation Protection's web portal, www.deradiationprotection.org

Now, Therefore, I, Jack A. Markell, Governor, do hereby declare November 6th - 12th, 2016,

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in the State of Delaware, and urge all Delawareans to join us in supporting this observance.



Jack A. Markell

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