

# STATE OF DELAWARE



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### *PROCLAMATION IN OBSERVANCE OF RADIATION PROTECTION WEEK*

*Whereas*, Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen discovered X-rays on November 8, 1895; and

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

*Whereas*, radiation exposure that is not medically prescribed and administered can be harmful to people; and

*Whereas*, Delaware has long recognized the importance of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) in improving the health and quality of life for Delawareans; and

*Whereas*, the Authority on Radiation Protection is a board appointed by the Governor to provide regulatory oversight, raise public awareness, and furnish useful information relative to radiation exposure for the protection of patients, employees and the general public; 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

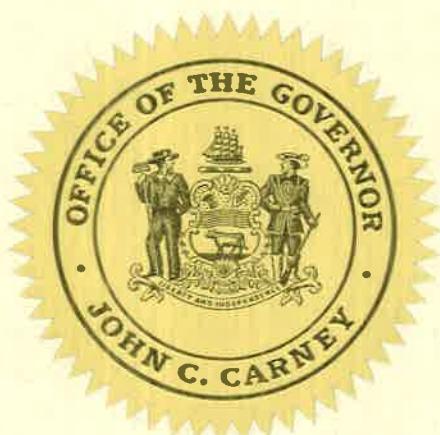
*Whereas*, radiation protection professionals work in partnership throughout fields such as health care, research and development, education, industry, and government to bring the benefits of radiation to the public, while minimizing the hazards of radiation exposure; and

*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](http://www.deradiationprotection.org).

*Now, Therefore, We, John C. Carney, Governor,  
and Bethany A. Hall-Long, Lieutenant Governor,  
do hereby declare November 5<sup>th</sup>– 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017, as*

### ***RADIATION PROTECTION WEEK***

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



*John C. Carney*  
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Governor

*Bethany A. Hall-Long*  
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Lieutenant Governor