



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, September 11, 2001 will forever be remembered as a tragic day; and

WHEREAS, when terrorists attacked the United States by hijacking passenger jets, crashing them into the World Trade Center's Twin Towers, one into the Pentagon, and one into the Pennsylvania countryside killing and injuring thousands of innocent people, including hundreds of New Jersey residents, the citizens of New Jersey responded with generosity and compassion; and

WHEREAS, on September 11<sup>th</sup>, more than five thousand people streamed out of lower Manhattan into New Jersey, seeking care and comfort; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's healthcare community mounted an unprecedented response to this unimaginable disaster. Hundreds of doctors, nurses, EMTs, paramedics, and others rushed to triage sites established along the Hudson River; and

WHEREAS, countless other members of the healthcare community stood ready at hospitals throughout the state, providing life-saving care to burn patients, treating the injured in emergency rooms, and tending the ongoing physical and emotional needs of a wounded citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the state's entire hospital community served, in ways large and small, by canceling procedures, donating staff time and resources, and collecting blood from New Jerseyans; and

WHEREAS, a total of 1,020 patients received care and solace in sixty of the state's hospitals, providing a beacon of hope and comfort on one of our state's darkest days; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's healthcare community is an embodiment of the principles of freedom and democracy and their dedication to these principles shines as an example of the limitless potential of the human spirit;

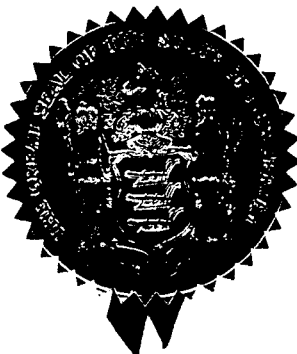
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES E. MCGREEVEY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim

MAY 9, 2002

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A DAY OF RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION  
FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN OF NEW JERSEY'S HOSPITALS

and, on behalf of the citizens of the Garden State, particularly those affected by the events of September 11, do hereby extend my sincere appreciation.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this nineteenth day of April in the year of Our Lord two thousand two and of the Independence of the United States, the two hundred and twenty-sixth.

*James E. McGreevey*

GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

*Regena L. Thomas*

REGENA L. THOMAS,  
SECRETARY OF STATE