



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than one in seven couples have difficulty becoming pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization and the American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and

WHEREAS, infertility affects women and men at comparable rates and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, members of the LGBTQ+ community also face challenges when building their families; and

WHEREAS, all individuals facing challenges in their family-building journey should have access to the full range of family-building options; and

WHEREAS, family-building options include adoption and medical treatments, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and

WHEREAS, cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in our State to access the family-building option they need; and

WHEREAS, racial and socioeconomic disparities exist among those accessing fertility care, therefore raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family-building community is an important step toward reducing those disparities; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey joins other organizations and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family-building community by participating in this promotion;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mikie Sherrill, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

APRIL 19 - 25, 2026

AS

INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

in New Jersey.



*Dak G. Caldwell*

Lt. GOVERNOR

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-fourth day of February in the year two thousand twenty-six, the two hundred fiftieth year of the Independence of the United States.

*Mikie Sherrill*

GOVERNOR