

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Commonwealth employees are dedicated public servants who perform their jobs with professionalism, integrity, dedication, and pride; and

WHEREAS, Commonwealth employees work each day to protect public safety and health, care for the less fortunate and vulnerable, enforce laws, safeguard the environment, build and maintain roads, promote economic growth, license professionals and businesses, preserve our historical and cultural resources, and many other duties; and

WHEREAS, Commonwealth employees serve as responsible stewards of taxpayer funds, are committed to continuously improving efficiency and customer service, and millions of Pennsylvanians benefit from, and depend upon, the programs and services provided each day by Commonwealth employees; and

WHEREAS, many Commonwealth employees support the well-being of their communities through acts of volunteerism and charity, including contributing millions of dollars to nearly one thousand worthwhile organizations through the State Employee Combined Appeal and donating hundreds of gifts to families and seniors through the Holiday Wish Program; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth strives to attract and retain exceptional employees to provide the high quality services that Pennsylvanians expect and deserve by providing rewarding careers with benefits to help them succeed in every aspect of life, including affordable, high quality health care, paid parental leave, financial assistance for child care, and more; and

WHEREAS, my Administration has increased opportunities for Commonwealth employment by emphasizing skills and experience in hiring and removing requirements for a college degree from thousands of jobs while at the same time significantly decreasing the average time to hire new employees.

THEREFORE, I, Josh Shapiro, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim May 8, 2024 to be

STATE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DAY

and I encourage all Pennsylvanians to recognize our state employees for their dedication to public service.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this tenth day of April two thousand twenty-four, the year of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-eighth.

Governor Josh Shapiro