



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, IgA Nephropathy, also known as IgAN or Berger's disease, is a rare kidney disorder characterized by the buildup of immunoglobulin A (IgA), a protein that helps breakdown the normal filtering mechanisms in the kidneys; and

WHEREAS, IgAN is one of the most common and undetected kidney diseases in the United States; and

WHEREAS, there is no current cure for IgAN and treatments can only focus on slowing the progress of the disease and preventing complications; and

WHEREAS, after 10 to 20 years with IgA nephropathy, approximately 20-40% of individuals who have IgAN will develop end-stage kidney disease and need dialysis or kidney transplantation to survive; and

WHEREAS, transplants can greatly improve the quality of life of patients but not guarantee that the disease won't return and infect the new kidney; and

WHEREAS, this day is designated to raise awareness of IgA Nephropathy, provide support to patients, and promote the research needed to lead to better diagnosis and an eventual cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, governor of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

**MAY 14, 2022**

**AS**

**IgA Nephropathy Awareness Day**

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this thirteenth day of May in the year two thousand twenty-two, the two hundred forty-sixth year of the Independence of the United States.

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