WHEREAS, medical diagnosis and treatment decisions rely heavily on timely and accurate clinical laboratory test results; and

WHEREAS, billions of these laboratory tests are performed in the United States each year in hospital and commercial laboratories and other sites; and

WHEREAS, critical decisions regarding public health, such as the control of disease outbreaks, rely heavily on the accurate and timely analysis performed by laboratory professionals; and

WHEREAS, the exacting standards of modern medical practice require scientific precision of clinical and public health tests performed daily by laboratory professionals; and

WHEREAS, the medical and public health fields rely on the dedicated efforts of laboratory professionals to maintain the high standards of quality in laboratory practice; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's approximately 7,000 laboratory professionals perform 100 million laboratory tests a year to support the health of our residents and help provide a complete picture of an individual patient's health; and

WHEREAS, the more than 329,000 laboratory professionals across the country are being honored this week for their dedication to serving individual patients and the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

APRIL 23 THROUGH APRIL 29, 2023
AS
MEDICAL LABORATORY PROFESSIONALS WEEK
in New Jersey.

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this sixteenth day of March in the year two thousand twenty-three, the two hundred forty-seventh year of the Independence of the United States.