

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

**NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH
APRIL 2023**

Whereas: Realizing the urgent need for organ and tissue donors across the country, the **NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH** observance promotes a greater understanding about the life-saving benefits of donation and transplantation. Moreover, the need is increasing. NJ Sharing Network is committed to addressing that need through increased awareness; and

Whereas: The transplantation of organs and tissue is a miracle of modern medicine made possible through the compassion of organ and tissue donors, enabling surgeons to save thousands of lives every year. One organ donor can save eight lives and one tissue donor can restore health to over 75 others. People of all ages, ethnic backgrounds and religions are touched by donation and by the serious shortage of organ donors that exists. Currently, there are nearly 4,000 New Jersey residents and 115,000 Americans awaiting life-saving transplant operations; and

Whereas: Every capable person should support this vital effort by registering as an organ and tissue donor, making their family aware of their wishes and being willing to give the precious gift of health, sight and life to people in need; and

Whereas: Registering as an organ and tissue donor at a local Motor Vehicle Agency or online at www.NJSharingNetwork.org signifies our fundamental human responsibility to help others; and

Whereas: As Mayor of The Township of Monroe, I recognize **NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH** as an opportunity to join NJ Sharing Network in its life-saving mission.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEPHEN DALINA, MAYOR , do hereby proclaim April 2023 as:

DONATE LIFE MONTH

In the Township of Monroe, New Jersey, and I urge all residents to join me in promoting organ and tissue donor education throughout **NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH**.

Dated: April 1, 2023



STEPHEN DALINA, MAYOR