



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 16-20, 2009 as International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions of international education to our nation; and

WHEREAS, international education and exchange include thousands of programs, public and private, campus-based and national, that promotes the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders. These include study abroad programs, citizen and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on U.S. campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to U.S. education; and

WHEREAS, by participating in such programs our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures, and break down barriers to understanding and cooperation, which are vital to peace and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, we live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security; and

WHEREAS through international education, the United States can establish a foundation for dialogue and partnership with the rest of the world and create the conditions for lasting global peace, security, and well-being; and

WHEREAS, I call upon the citizens and institutions of this state to participate in celebrating this week and to recognize the importance of international education in our lives and communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JON S. CORZINE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim

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in New Jersey, and call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this sixteenth day of November in the year two thousand nine, the two hundred thirty-third year of the Independence of the United States.

GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

NINA MITCHELL WELLS  
SECRETARY OF STATE