

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, all Pennsylvanians deserve opportunities to live healthy, safe, and purposeful lives, and community supervision is an essential part of Pennsylvania's justice system; and

WHEREAS, corrections professionals such as pretrial, probation, and parole officers uphold the law with dignity, while recognizing the right of the public to be safe and guarded from criminal activity. Their proven practices and effective supervision provide an opportunity for successful reintegration; and

WHEREAS, pretrial, probation, and parole officers work toward changing lives by working with reentrants to help them find solutions to problems and to help them live a safe, healthy, and productive life; and

WHEREAS, corrections professionals are responsible for supervising adult reentrants, while serving, supporting, and protecting victims, as well as providing appropriate advocacy and resources for reentrants; and

WHEREAS, pretrial, probation, and parole officers work collaboratively with local law enforcement, treatment providers, social service agencies, and a variety of other programs, groups, and individuals involved with reentry; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's pretrial, probation, and parole officers are on the front line of efforts to reduce recidivism and prevent future crime. This week is a time to recognize and celebrate the dedicated and caring individuals in the community who work tirelessly to make neighborhoods safer and more vibrant places to live, raise families, and work to give reentrants a second chance to be productive members of society.

THEREFORE, I, Josh Shapiro, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim July 16-22, 2023 to be

PRETRIAL, PROBATION, AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK

in honor of all these corrections professionals who play crucial roles in the criminal justice system and help achieve safer communities.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-fourth day of May two thousand twenty-three, the year of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-seventh.

Governor Josh Shapiro