WHEREAS, each year, thousands of American workers are killed by workplace injuries and occupational diseases and thousands more are permanently disabled; and

WHEREAS, April 28th, the anniversary of the day the Occupational Safety and Health Act went into effect, was designated Workers Memorial Day in the United States to direct attention to workers who have been killed or injured on the job; and

WHEREAS, through the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development's New Jersey State Industrial Safety Committee, the Garden State continues to be at the forefront of worker safety and has a strong commitment to reducing accidents in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the efforts of those employers who achieve and maintain outstanding performance in the prevention of workplace injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, labor unions, employers, community groups and others around the world now mark April 28th as an International Day of Mourning as a way to remember the victims of workplace fatalities, injuries and disease;

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

APRIL 28, 2024
AS
WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY

in New Jersey.

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