

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the people across New Jersey wish to live in harmony with the natural resources and leave a better earth for our children and grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, conservationists across our beautiful state work hand in hand with the residents of New Jersey to conserve natural resources and to create a healthy land; and

WHEREAS, leadership for conservation of natural resources on private lands is provided by a partnership that includes the fifteen conservation districts, the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension Service, state conservation agencies, other federal agencies and the Natural Resources Conservation Service in the U.S. Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and its predecessor, the Soil Conservation Service, have been helping agricultural landowners in New Jersey meet their conservation goals since 1935; and

WHEREAS, now is the time to recognize the contributions of the Natural Resources Conservation Service and its partners and to increase awareness among the state's residents of the importance of natural resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD J. CODEY, Acting Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim

APRIL 27, 2005

as

CONSERVATION DAY

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-fifth day of April in the year of Our Lord two thousand five and of the Independence of the United States, the two hundred and twenty-ninth.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Richard J. Codey".

ACTING GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Regena L. Thomas".

**REGENA L. THOMAS,
SECRETARY OF STATE**