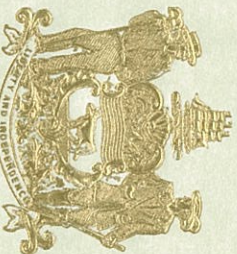


STATE OF DELAWARE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR



STATEMENT
IN OBSERVANCE OF
GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH

Whereas, Great Outdoors Month is an opportunity for Delawareans to celebrate and experience our state's natural beauty and renew our commitment to protect and preserve our outdoor spaces; and

Whereas, this month intends to pay tribute to and recognize the dedicated men and women who work to ensure Delaware's natural resources are accessible for the use and enjoyment of all citizens; and

Whereas, through biking, fishing, swimming, and an abundance of other outdoor recreational activities, families and friends get the opportunity to come together; and

Whereas, outdoor recreation promotes health, fitness and environmental awareness; and

Whereas, the government, local communities and individual citizens have initiated many conservation efforts to enhance and restore the outdoors so that our beaches, parks and rivers continue to be available for outdoor activities and enjoyment; and

Whereas, in observation of the beginning of the summer season, the State of Delaware encourages its citizens and visitors to participate in Great Outdoors Month by spending time outdoors.

*Now, Therefore, We, Jack A. Markell, Governor,
and Matthew Denn, Lieutenant Governor,*
do hereby declare June 2011

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in the First State, and encourage all Delawareans to spend time participating in outdoor activities and renewing their commitment to protect and enjoy Delaware's natural resources.



Jack Markell

Jack A. Markell
Governor

Matthew Denn

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Lieutenant Governor