

County Of Chester



Proclamation

- WHEREAS:** The citizens of Chester County value their health and that of their families, and support programs that raise awareness of public health issues such as Lyme disease; and
- WHEREAS:** Lyme disease is a bacterial infection transmitted primarily by ticks, and it remains an urgent public health concern in Pennsylvania, with statistics showing that the Commonwealth confirmed over 33,000 in the last five years; and
- WHEREAS:** Chester County, with many rural and suburban areas, is classified as high-risk for the incidence of Lyme disease with nearly 2,400 confirmed cases in the last five years; and
- WHEREAS:** If untreated, Lyme disease can cause serious health complications for individuals including musculoskeletal, neurological and cardiac problems; and
- WHEREAS:** The Pennsylvania Lyme Disease Awareness Committee (PLDAC), along with members from the Chester/Delaware County Farm Bureau, the Chester County Health Department and the Lyme Disease Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Inc. remain dedicated to improve awareness, prevention and treatment of tick-borne diseases such as Lyme disease.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners, County of Chester, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby proclaims its support for

Lyme Disease Awareness Month

during the month of May 2017, and thanks those organizations that are actively supporting Chester County's Lyme disease abatement program. The Board also encourages all Chester County citizens to improve awareness, prevention and treatment of tick-borne diseases.



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