

STATE OF DELAWARE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR



STATEMENT  
IN RECOGNITION OF  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK DELAWARE

*Whereas*, entrepreneurship is vital to Delaware's growth and prosperity; and

*Whereas*, most of the new jobs created throughout the United States in the past decade have come from the creative efforts of entrepreneurs and small businesses; and

*Whereas*, The Partnership for 21st Century Skills identified entrepreneurial literacy skills as one of the 21<sup>st</sup> century content areas critical to success in communities and workplaces; and

*Whereas*, more than 70 percent of young Americans envision starting a business or being entrepreneurial as adults and 57 percent of Americans dream of starting a business; and

*Whereas*, The Coalition of Organizations for Delaware Entrepreneurship (C.O.D.E.) and groups throughout the country are actively engaged in enhancing entrepreneurial opportunities through collaboration and cooperation with the national Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education; and

*Whereas*, encouraging Delawareans to be excited about entrepreneurship and working to expand the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of all Delaware's youth and adults to be successful entrepreneurs is crucial to the long-term growth of local communities, the state, and the nation; and

*Whereas*, Delaware's educational, nonprofit, corporate, and government organizations offer an array of programs, mentoring, funding, activities, and competitive events focused on entrepreneurship.

*Now, Therefore, We, Ruth Ann Minner, Governor,  
and John C. Carney, Jr., Lieutenant Governor,  
do hereby declare February 23 – March 1, 2008*

ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK DELAWARE

and urge all Delawareans to recognize the opportunities and innovative ways in which entrepreneurship can unite local communities while encouraging Delaware's economic growth and prosperity.



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