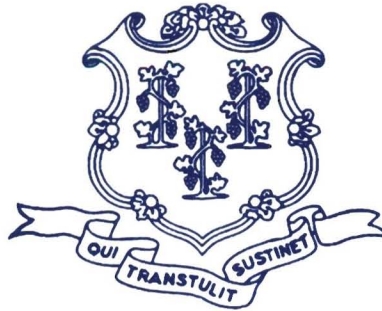


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By Her Excellency M. Jodi Rell, Governor: an

Official Statement

*W*HEREAS, Geography Awareness Week, November 14 – 20, 2010, encourages geographic awareness in schools; and

*W*HEREAS, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Day helps to raise geography awareness; and

*W*HEREAS, in 2010, GIS Day will be celebrated in more than 80 countries around the world; and

*W*HEREAS, GIS applications provide critical support for public and private organizations who use this essential technology to perform their work in public health, disaster response, environmental assessment, business efficiency, infrastructure management and education; and

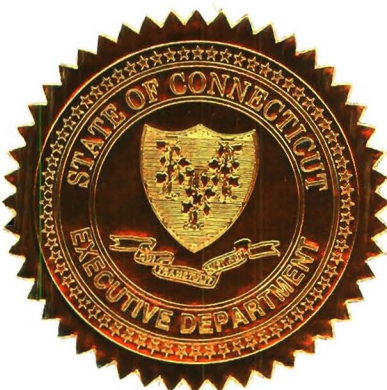
*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut Geospatial Information Systems Council works to enable the development of a coordinated GIS capacity across the State; and

*W*HEREAS, having a day of GIS activities open to students, citizens, and government leaders will help achieve greater awareness of the benefits of GIS; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, M. Jodi Rell, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim November 17, 2010, as

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DAY

in the State of Connecticut.



M. Jodi Rell
Governor