



OFFICE OF THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

PROCLAMATION

Be it hereby known to all that
Christopher A. Coons, New Castle County Executive,
recognizes February 20-27, 2010 as

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 critical to success in communities and workplaces; and

WHEREAS, more than 70% of young Americans envision starting a business or doing something entrepreneurial as adults and 57% of Americans dream of starting a business; and

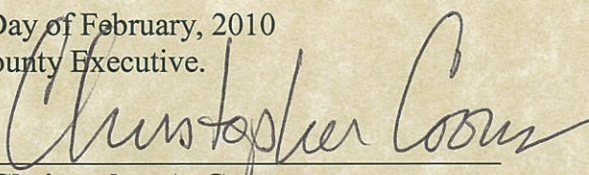
WHEREAS, The Coalition of Organizations for Delaware Entrepreneurship (C.O.D.E.) and groups throughout the country are actively engaged in enhancing entrepreneurial opportunities through collaboration and cooperation with the national Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education; and

WHEREAS, encouraging Delawareans to be excited about entrepreneurship and working to expand the knowledge, skills and attitudes of 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, corporate and nonprofit organizations offer an array of programs, mentoring, funding, activities and competitive events focused on entrepreneurship.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christopher A. Coons, do hereby recognize February 20-27, 2010 as **ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK DELAWARE** and I urge all our citizens to recognize the opportunities and innovative ways in which entrepreneurship can unite local communities while encouraging Delaware's economic growth and prosperity.

Presented on this 27th Day of February, 2010
by order of the County Executive.



Christopher A. Coons
New Castle County Executive

