



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

**Problem Gambling Awareness Month**

**WHEREAS**, problem gambling is a public health issue affecting millions of Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, problem gambling has a significant societal and economic cost for individuals, families, businesses and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, problem gambling is treatable, and treatment is effective in minimizing this harm to both individuals and society as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous individuals, professionals and organizations have dedicated their efforts to the education of the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gina M. Raimondo**, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as: ***Problem Gambling Awareness Month*** in the state and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing the importance of this month.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this 19 day of February, 2020

  
Gina M. Raimondo  
Governor

  
Nellie M. Gorbea  
Secretary of State