

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING APRIL 2021 AS  
NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Subra, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, the month of April is designated nationwide as National Donate Life Month; and

**WHEREAS**, 10,000 New Yorkers are waiting for life-saving organ transplants; and

**WHEREAS**, New Yorkers make up 10% of the national organ transplant waiting list; and

**WHEREAS**, each year almost 500 New Yorkers die because an organ does not become available in time to save their lives; and

**WHEREAS**, one organ donor can save up to eight lives through organ donation and help 75 more through tissue and corneal donation; and

**WHEREAS**, as of April 30, 2019, 17,284 Essex County residents were enrolled as organ donors, representing an actionable donor designation share of 55.4%; and

**WHEREAS**, 97% of all organ donors register at their local Department of Motor Vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Essex County Clerk and Department of Motor Vehicles plan to participate in National Donate Life Month.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby designates April 2021 as Donate Life Month in Essex County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Board encourages the residents of Essex County to seriously consider becoming organ donors.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Monty, and duly adopted.