



By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an
Official Statement

*W*HEREAS, approximately 35,000 babies are born every year in Connecticut; and

*W*HEREAS, early relationships are the foundation for a young child's psychological, emotional, developmental, and physical wellbeing; infants, toddlers, and young children require nurturing and protection from one or more consistent caregivers; and

*W*HEREAS, Connecticut is dedicated to collaboratively increase public awareness understanding of the importance of healthy relationships and social and emotional development in the early years; and

*W*HEREAS, data shows the need to address disparities and ensure equitable access to services and programs that support infants, toddlers, young children, and their families; and

*W*HEREAS, the state is committed to improving opportunities and outcomes for infants, toddlers, young children, and their families through collaboration and partnerships; and

*W*HEREAS, one week each year is dedicated to officially celebrate infants, toddlers, young children, their families, and early childhood professionals; and

*W*HEREAS, through public awareness campaigns, intentional community outreach, networking, and social action, babies, their families, and those that support them are celebrated; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the week of October 17th – 21st, 2022, to be

CELEBRATE BABIES WEEK

in the State of Connecticut.



Ned Lamont

GOVERNOR