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2021 NATIONAL MINORITY DONOR AWARENESS MONTH

Message from Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White

In August, the Illinois Organ/Tissue Donor Program observes National Minority Donor Awareness Month by providing materials to educate people on the need for multicultural community members to register as donors. The challenges of the last year continue to prevent us from safely holding our Wave Away the Waiting event in person, yet we remain committed to spreading the message about the importance of increasing the donor registry – especially in minority communities.

This year we continue to share our Wave Away the Waiting campaign virtually. By providing this information with cultural centers, public health departments, other outreach organizations and our partners in donation, we are encouraging individuals in multicultural communities to register as donors in order to build an even more diverse donor registry, which will benefit everyone waiting. Please share this information with those who may be interested. You can find additional information on our website www.LifeGoesOn.com and by visiting our social media pages at [@ildonorprogram](https://twitter.com/ildonorprogram). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call us at 800-210-2106.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jesse White".

Jesse White
Illinois Secretary of State