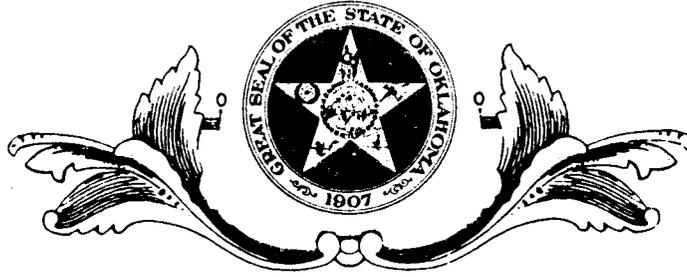


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Proclamation

Whereas, stroke prevalence is projected to increase by 24.9% between 2010 and 2030 and the direct medical costs for treating stroke are expected to increase by 238%, from \$28.3 billion in 2010 to \$95.6 billion by 2030; and

Whereas, more Americans are aware of the risk factors and warning signs for stroke than in the past, but according to a recent survey, one-third of adults cannot identify any symptoms; and

Whereas, the F.A.S.T. warning signs and symptoms of stroke include face drooping, arm weakness, and speech difficulty and if you observe any of these signs, it is time to call 9-1-1; and beyond F.A.S.T., additional stroke warning signs include sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body; sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding; sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes; sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination; and sudden severe headache with no known cause; and

Whereas, a new study by the American Stroke Association shows that the quick actions by EMS professionals are instrumental in saving lives from stroke and producing better outcomes for stroke survivors, but more than a third of stroke patients fail to use EMS; and

Whereas, throughout the month of May 2013, the American Stroke Association will honor those EMS professionals and stroke survivors who have acted F.A.S.T. in a stroke emergency to save lives by highlighting and sharing their stories; and

Whereas, the American Stroke Association's, "Power To End Stroke" program will increase physical activity in at-risk populations through an online power fitness challenge. The challenge will track individuals' physical activity through mobile apps or devices and encourage them to make exercise a daily activity by offering prizes and community support;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2013 as

"American Stroke Month"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 3rd day of May, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

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Assistant Secretary of State
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Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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