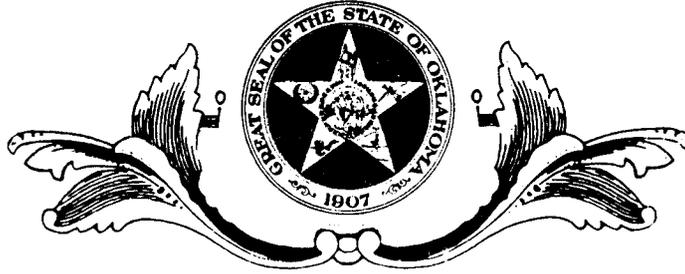


# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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## Proclamation

Whereas, the people of Oklahoma recognize that economic opportunities for individuals can lead to improved health for families and their communities; and

Whereas, access to a reliable supply of clean diapers is a necessity for the health and welfare of infants and toddlers, their families, and child and health care providers; and

Whereas, an infant or toddler may require an average of 50 diaper changes per week over three years; and

Whereas, diapers cannot be bought with food stamps or WIC vouchers, therefore providing a sufficient supply of diapers can cause economic hardship to families in need; and

Whereas, a supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare programs; and

Whereas, parents and guardians may be obstructed from participating in the workforce when infants and toddlers are withheld from their participation in child care programs, thereby potentially causing economic harm to their families; and

Whereas, Oklahoma is proud to be home to Infant Crisis Services in Oklahoma City and Emergency Infant Services in Tulsa, two nonprofit agencies that recognize the importance of the distribution of diapers to families in need as it can contribute to their economic stability;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim September 8<sup>th</sup> through September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as

### **"Diaper Need Awareness Week"**

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 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

*Mary Fallin*

Assistant *Chris Morris*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR

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