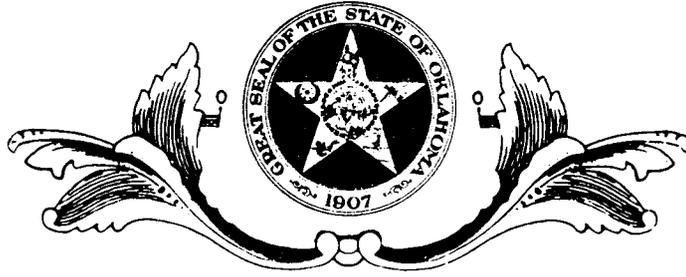


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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
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Proclamation

Whereas, October 13th through October 20th, 2013, marks International Plasma Awareness Week with observances throughout the United States and Europe to raise global awareness about source plasma collection, recognize the contributions of plasma donors, and increase understanding about lifesaving plasma protein therapies and rare diseases; and

Whereas, lifesaving plasma-derived and recombinant blood clotting factors, collectively known as plasma protein therapies, are unique, biologic products for which no substitute therapies exist, and which save and improve lives of individuals throughout the world; and

Whereas, plasma protein therapies are used to treat many conditions including bleeding disorders, primary immunodeficiency diseases, Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, and certain rare neurological disorders; and

Whereas, these therapies are also used in emergency and surgical medicine to save and improve lives; and

Whereas, these therapies have significantly improved the quality of life, improved patient outcomes, and extended life expectancy for individuals with rare diseases, specifically those with plasma protein disorders;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim October 13th through October 20th, 2013 as

"Plasma Awareness Week"

in the state of Oklahoma.

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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 21st day of August, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

Assistant *Chris Morris*
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR