

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, there are more than 44,000 children across Oklahoma affected by a disability; and

Whereas, children with disabilities are often misunderstood, bullied or related to in the wrong capacity due to a lack of understanding; and

Whereas, peer groups need to be informed of the core values of awareness, acceptance and assistance for those with disabilities; and

Whereas, proper education and awareness of children with disabilities can empower peer groups to assist in creating a safer environment and improve support; and

Whereas, Children with Disabilities Awareness Month celebrated in March of 2014 helps to provide proper education regarding children with disabilities, empower peer groups, increase knowledge and understanding, and teach tolerance; and

Whereas, the Muscular Dystrophy Association was founded in 1950 as a support agency for families of people diagnosed with neuromuscular disease;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim March 2014 as

"Children with Disabilities Awareness 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 11th day of December, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fourteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and sixth year.

Chris Benz
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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