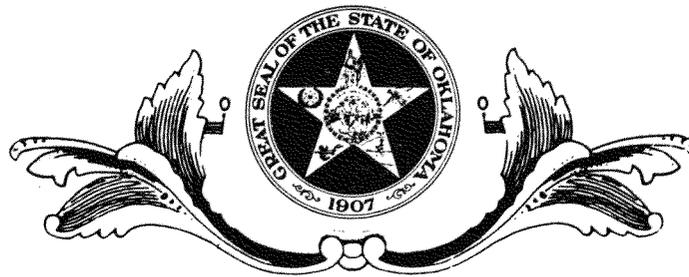


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Proclamation

Whereas, 2014 marks the 20th consecutive year that People with Disabilities Awareness Day has been celebrated at the Oklahoma State Capitol; and

Whereas, nearly 10,000 Oklahomans with disabilities, advocates, families and community partners have participated in this annual event, which is directed by the communications office at the Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services; and

Whereas, People with Disabilities Awareness Day celebrates effective partnerships with business and industry, which open doors to challenging careers and opportunities for people with disabilities to become taxpaying citizens who no longer need disability benefits and social services; and

Whereas, People with Disabilities Awareness Day provides unique educational and advocacy opportunities for Oklahomans with disabilities to visit state senators and representatives to share information about state disability programs that enable citizens to achieve employment, independence, and full participation in community life; and

Whereas, 15.6 percent of Oklahomans of all ages, or more than 577,000 individuals, have some level of disability, according to United States Census Bureau estimates;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim April 2, 2014 as

"People with Disabilities Awareness Day"

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.



ATTEST:

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 12th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fourteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and sixth year.

Chris Benge
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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