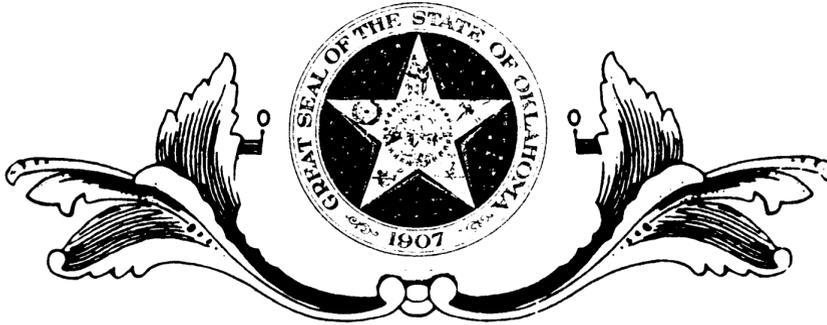


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, October 12th through October 18th, 2014, marks International Plasma Awareness Week with observances throughout the United States and Europe designed to raise awareness regarding 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 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 have significantly improved the quality of life and patient outcomes, as well as extended the life expectancy for individuals with rare diseases, specifically those with plasma protein disorders; and

Whereas, there are nine plasma donation centers in the state, certified under the International Quality Plasma Program, where healthy and committed donors provide plasma that is used to manufacture high-impact, life-saving therapies;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim October 12th through October 18th, 2014 as

"Plasma 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 9th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fourteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and sixth year.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin

GOVERNOR