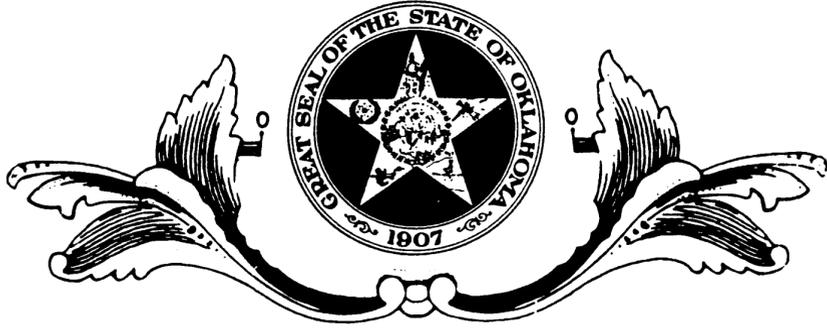


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, each year, many Oklahoma citizens are victims of flood damage, yet have no flood insurance protection; and

Whereas, Congress created the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) in 1968 to mitigate future flood damage and provide community officials with the tools needed to prevent property damage and loss of life due to flooding events; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Water Resources Board is the state agency designated to coordinate the NFIP in Oklahoma; communities participating in the NFIP agree to regulate development in the floodplain in exchange for the offering of affordable flood insurance and enhanced protection against future flooding episodes; and

Whereas, there is a need to inform Oklahomans about the importance of NFIP participation and the numerous benefits of intelligent floodplain management; and

Whereas, only eleven percent of all structures within Oklahoma's designated 100-year floodplains are currently afforded protection through flood insurance; and

Whereas, a flood insurance policy may be purchased from any licensed property insurance agent or broker in good standing; and

Whereas, flood insurance policies generally require a mandatory 30-day waiting period; and

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim March 2015, as

"Flood Insurance 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 4th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and seventh year.

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ATTEST:

Cl. Benz
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR