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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
OF STATE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, 2015 marks the twenty-first consecutive year of celebrating People with Disabilities Awareness Day has been celebrated at the Oklahoma State Capitol; and

Whereas, nearly 11,000 Oklahomans with disabilities, advocates, families and community partners have participated in this annual event, 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 for people with disabilities who become taxpaying citizens and no longer need disability benefits and social services; and

Whereas, People with Disabilities Awareness Day provides unique educational and advocacy opportunities 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, or more than 577,000 individuals, have some level of disability, according to the United States Census Bureau estimates;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim April 20, 2015 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 6th 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.

Cl. Benz
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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