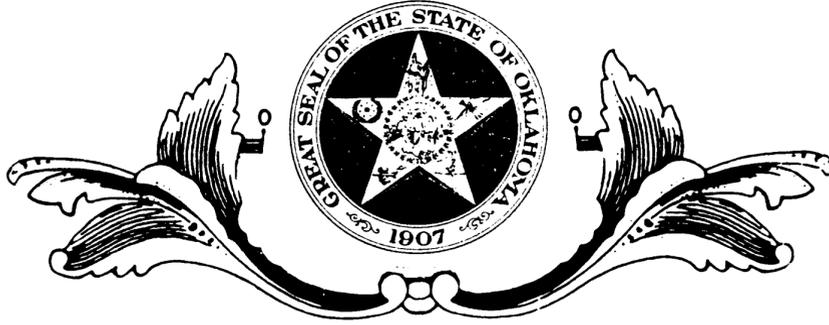


# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

**Whereas**, Diaper Need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of babies and their families; and

**Whereas**, national surveys conclude that as many as forty-eight percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend their supply; and

**Whereas**, diapers cannot be bought with food stamps or WIC vouchers; therefore, obtaining an adequate quantity can cause economic hardships for families; and

**Whereas**, a supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and quality early education programs; and

**Whereas**, Oklahomans recognize that addressing Diaper Need can lead to economic opportunity for low-income families and improved health for our communities; and

**Whereas**, Infant Crisis Services in Oklahoma City and Emergency Infant Services in Tulsa are two nonprofit agencies working diligently to distribute diapers to low income families;

**Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor**, do hereby proclaim the week of September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015, as

### **“Diaper Need Awareness Week”**

in the State of Oklahoma and encourage the citizens of Oklahoma to donate generously to diaper banks, diaper drives, and organizations that provide diapers to families in need.

*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 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and seventh year.*

*C. Benz*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Mary Fallin*  
GOVERNOR

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