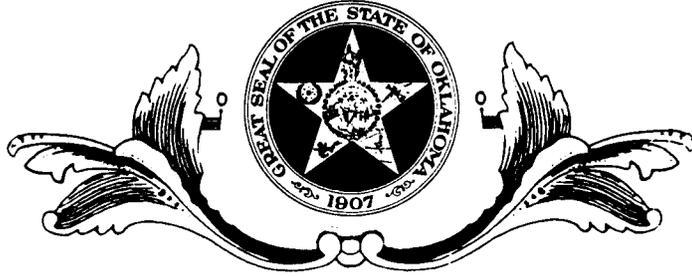


# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

**Whereas**, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, commonly known as lupus, is an acute, chronic, complex and often life-threatening autoimmune disease; and

**Whereas**, lupus can affect virtually every organ system in the body and can cause seizures, strokes, heart attacks, miscarriages and organ failure; and

**Whereas**, the Lupus Foundation of America estimates that more than 1.5 million Americans live with some form of lupus; and

**Whereas**, lupus can be difficult to diagnose because its symptoms are similar to those of many other illnesses; and

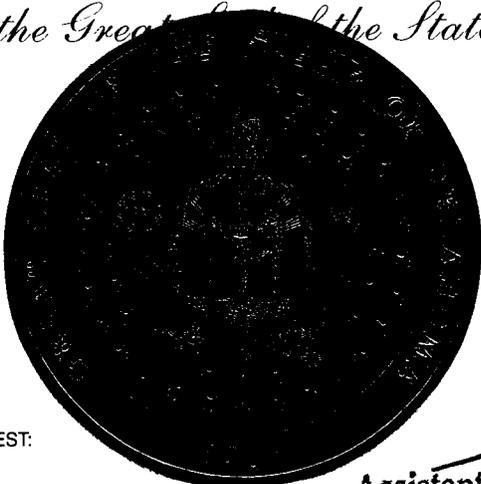
**Whereas**, early diagnosis, proper treatment protocols and awareness are critical to the improvement of the quality of life and survival rate of those living with lupus;

**Now, Therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor**, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as

### **"Lupus Awareness 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and eighth year.*

ATTEST:

*Paula*  
Assistant SECRETARY OF STATE

*Mary Fallin*  
GOVERNOR

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