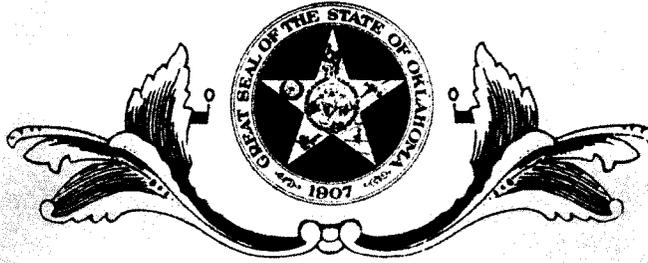


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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, born June 27, 1880, Helen Keller remains one of the most accomplished, respected and renowned Americans who was deaf and blind; and

Whereas, deaf-blindness is one of the most severe of all disabilities and Oklahoma supports full participation of residents with multi-sensory disabilities in our economy by fostering employment and promoting transportation, housing and recreational options for people who are deaf-blind; and

Whereas, Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services studies demonstrate that Oklahomans, including those who are deaf-blind, can eliminate or reduce their dependence on disability benefits and social services when participating in the workforce; and

Whereas, it is appropriate to publicize the abilities and potential of Oklahomans who are deaf-blind and those with severe vision and hearing impairments while recognizing Helen Keller as a guiding example of courage, hope, determination and achievement for individuals who are deaf-blind;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim the week of June 26, 2016,

"Helen Keller Deaf-Blind 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 20th day of June, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and eighth year.



ATTEST:

Acting Assistant

SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR

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