

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

**Whereas**, as Oklahoma competes in the modern, global economy, our residents recognize the challenges in providing children with postsecondary education or training to enable success as individuals, thus enabling success for our state; and

**Whereas**, the cost of higher education continues to increase, making it more difficult to ensure students have access to education beyond high school; and

**Whereas**, access to postsecondary education should be preserved and encouraged; and

**Whereas**, the state of Oklahoma administers the Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan as a Section 529 Qualified Tuition Plan through duly enacted laws; and

**Whereas**, the Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan offers families an annual state income tax deduction up to \$20,000 in recognition of higher education's value;

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

### **"529 College Savings Plan Awareness Month"**

in the state of Oklahoma and urge Oklahomans to save for postsecondary education.

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*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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and eighth year.*

*Chris Benz*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Mary Fallin*  
GOVERNOR



ATTEST: