

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

**Whereas,** Gastroparesis is a chronic illness that affects more than 5 million people in the United States; and

**Whereas,** Gastroparesis is “paralysis of the stomach” that often causes debilitating pain, nausea, vomiting, early satiety and can lead to serious complications such as malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight loss and overwhelming fatigue; and

**Whereas,** there is no known cure and few effective treatment options or medications; and

**Whereas,** Gastroparesis Awareness Month works to focus awareness on important health messages about gastroparesis diagnosis, treatment and quality of life issues with the goal of improving understanding of gastroparesis to help patients and families manage the condition and encourage preventative strategies;

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

### “Gastroparesis 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 29<sup>th</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.*

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ATTEST:

*Christa Benz*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Mary Fallin*  
GOVERNOR