

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, Chiari Malformation (CM) is a neurological disorder characterized by defects in the cerebellum, the part of the brain that controls balance and coordination, that was first identified by Austrian pathologist Hans Chiari in the 1890s; and

Whereas, symptoms, which usually appear during adolescence or early adulthood, can include severe head and neck pain, vertigo, muscle weakness, balance problems, blurred or double vision, difficulty swallowing or sleep apnea; and

Whereas, although the cause of CM is unknown, the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, believe it is either a congenital condition caused by exposure to harmful substances during fetal development or a genetic disorder, as it may appear in more than one family member; and

Whereas, Chiari Awareness Month is an opportunity to increase awareness of and support research for CM;

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

“Chiari Malformation 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 15th day of September 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:

Chris Benge
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR