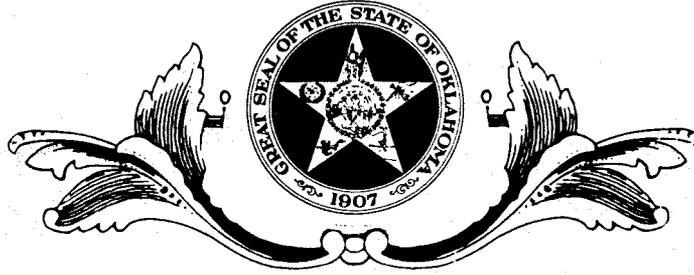


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STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, rural communities in Oklahoma provide unique benefits to residents and are beloved by many; and

Whereas, rural America remains an economic engine helping the United States produce many valuable goods and services; and

Whereas, rural residents possess a selfless, creative, community-minded spirit; and

Whereas, improving rural health requires innovative strategies that address both individual and health-related behaviors and many social factors of healthcare; and

Whereas, rural hospitals are part of the economic foundation in their communities, as well as sources of innovation and resourcefulness that reach beyond geographical boundaries to deliver quality care; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Office of Rural Health and the National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health play a critical role by leading efforts to address the healthcare needs of rural residents; and

Now, Therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim November 17, 2016, as

“Rural Health Day”

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 22nd 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.

Christ Benz
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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