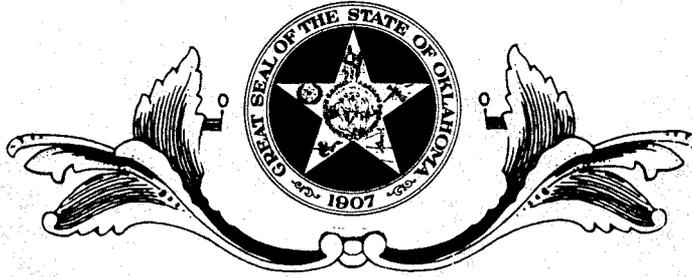


# STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY  
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## Proclamation

**Whereas**, all Oklahomans should be given the opportunity to participate fully in the social and economic life of our state; and

**Whereas**, Oklahomans with disabilities, including veterans, have the ability and desire to seek employment and achieve economic self-sufficiency as equal members of our state's workforce; and

**Whereas**, I am proud as Governor of this great state, to engage job-seekers with disabilities through policies that improve access to employment, including, "Oklahoma Works: Education and Training for Tomorrow's Jobs;" and

**Whereas**, Oklahomans with disabilities are an untapped resource enabling employers to enhance their businesses and workplaces by creating a common ground of career opportunities and hiring qualified individuals with disabilities; and

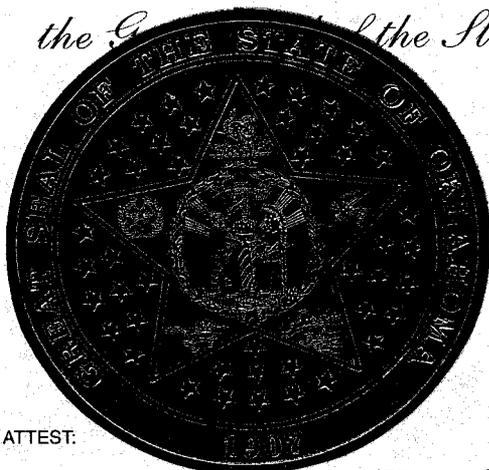
**Whereas**, the National Disability Employment Awareness Month dates back to 1945, when Congress annually declared the first week in October as "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week and in 1962, the word "physically" was dropped to acknowledge individuals with all types of disabilities;"

**Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor**, do hereby proclaim October 2016 as

### **"Disability Employment Awareness Month"**

in the state of Oklahoma.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 27<sup>th</sup> 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.*

ATTEST:

Acting Assistant SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR

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