

State of \_\_\_\_\_

***Proclamation***

WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in both men and women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Lung cancer takes the lives of more Americans each year than breast, prostate, colon, liver, kidney cancers combined; and

WHEREAS, former smokers and people who have never smoked comprise the majority of new cases of lung cancer each year; and

WHEREAS, 70% of new lung cancer cases will be diagnosed at late stage, with a 15% 5 year survival rate; and

WHEREAS, early lung cancer diagnosis and management protocols exist, yet have not been embraced as the standard of care; and

WHEREAS, funding for lung cancer research falls far short of that for other less fatal diseases; and

WHEREAS, the Lung Cancer Alliance is the only national non-profit organization dedicated solely to patient support and advocacy for people living with lung cancer and those at risk for the disease; now

THEREFORE, I, \_\_\_\_\_, [Governor] do hereby officially proclaim the month of November

**LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

In the State of \_\_\_\_\_.

Furthermore, I urge all citizens of our State to do all we can to make lung cancer a national public health priority and offer compassion to people with lung cancer.

Signed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
Governor