STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; scoliosis is an abnormal curvature of the spine, with no known cause, which affects two to three percent of the population, or an estimated seven million people in the United States; and

WHEREAS; the primary age of onset for scoliosis is 10 - 15 years of age, occurring equally among both genders, but with females five to eight times more likely to progress to a curve magnitude that requires treatment; and

WHEREAS; an estimated one million scoliosis patients utilize health care yearly, with approximately one of every six children being diagnosed with this condition eventually being required to receive active medical treatment; and

WHEREAS; screening programs allow for early detection, and for treatment opportunities which may alleviate the worst effects of the condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim June 2015, as

SCOLIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 27th by of April 2015.

SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State