

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, we must increase the public's awareness of scoliosis and help children, parents, adults, and health care providers understand, recognize and treat the complexities of spinal deformities such as scoliosis; and

WHEREAS, scoliosis, an abnormal curvature of the spine with no known cause, is a condition affecting 2-3% of the population, or an estimated 7 million people in the United States—it is a condition which strikes without regard to gender, race, age or economic status; 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, the primary age of onset for scoliosis is between ten and fifteen with females being five times more likely to progress to a curve magnitude that requires treatment; and

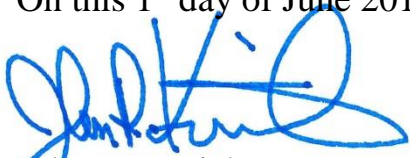
WHEREAS, screening programs allow for early detection and for treatment opportunities which may alleviate the worst effects of the condition.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize June 2016 as

**SCOLIOSIS
AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to help raise awareness of scoliosis throughout our state.

On this 1st day of June 2016;



John R. Kasich
Governor



Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

