


State of Iowa
Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

PROCLAMATION

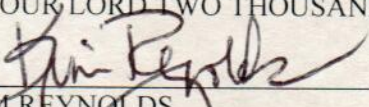
- WHEREAS,** we must increase the public's awareness of scoliosis and help children, parents, adults and health care providers understand, recognize and treat the complexities of spinal deformities such as scoliosis; and
- WHEREAS,** scoliosis, an abnormal curvature of the spine with no known cause is a condition affecting 2-3 percent of the population, or an estimated 7 million people in the United States. Scoliosis 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 10 and 15 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, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim June 2018 as

SCOLIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

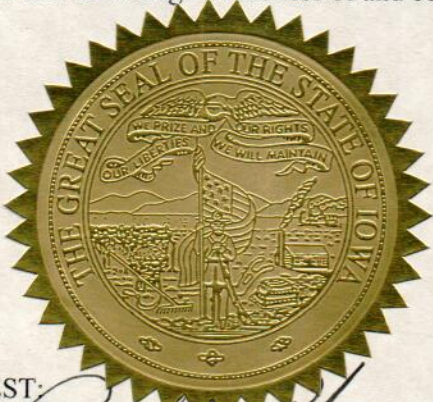
in Iowa and encourage awareness of and combating the spinal condition of scoliosis.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 12 DAY OF JUNE IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND EIGHTEEN.



KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:




PAUL PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE