STATE OF ARKANSAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: The week of May 10 through 16 is designated as National Women's Lung Health Week by the American Lung Association to recognize that more can be done to safeguard women's health and raise awareness of lung cancer in women; and

WHEREAS: Lung cancer is the number one cancer killer of women in the United States, surpassing breast cancer in 1987. The lung cancer death rate has more than doubled over the past 35 years; and

WHEREAS: Every five minutes, a woman in the United States is diagnosed with lung cancer. Women can promote their own lung health and prevent disease and illness by taking steps to prevent and control lung disease risk factors; and

WHEREAS: Keeping women healthy and promoting awareness of healthy air is an important responsibility and depends on the actions of many organizations and groups in our communities; and

WHEREAS: Together, we can make a change and turn the tide against lung cancer in women by encouraging all citizens to wear turquoise to commemorate the seriousness of this disease and its impact on our citizens; and

WHEREAS: LUNG FORCE, led by the American Lung Association, will unite women to stand together against lung cancer and for lung health;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim May 10 through May 16, 2015, as

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across the State, and I urge all citizens to wear turquoise during this week to promote and increase awareness of women and lung disease.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 7th day of May, in the year of our Lord 2015.

Asa Hutchinson

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

Mark Martin

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State