

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month has been proclaimed in years past to raise awareness for all men; and

WHEREAS: African American men are more likely to develop prostate cancer and 2.5 times more likely to die from the disease than Caucasian men; and

WHEREAS: Healthcare guidelines recommend that men 55-69 should consider prostate cancer screening after consultation with a healthcare provider; and

WHEREAS: Increased awareness and use of timely and appropriate detection, as well as improved treatment practices by men, are essential in controlling prostate cancer, a disease that can affect the lives of entire families in significant ways;

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 September 2017, as

NATIONAL PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN ARKANSAS

across the State, and I urge all men in Arkansas to become aware of risks for prostate cancer, to talk to their healthcare providers, and to be screened for this life-altering disease at the appropriate time.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 2nd day of August, in the year of our Lord 2017.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest:



Mark Martin, Secretary Of State