

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDG) are a group of rare metabolic disorders that affect normal organ development and the neurological system, leaving children, adolescents, and adults impaired with significant physical and developmental disability; and

WHEREAS: The exact incidence and prevalence of CDG is unknown. Researchers believe that many cases go unrecognized or misdiagnosed, making it difficult to determine their true frequency. As these disorders become better known and more subtypes are identified, more cases should be recognized; and

WHEREAS: Lack of public awareness and visibility of CDG contributes to under-diagnosis and difficulties in accessing specialized services and proper rehabilitation and support; and

WHEREAS: Early diagnosis of CDG is important to ensure timely management of clinical complications, genetic counseling, and when available, treatment and therapeutic remedies; and

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas seeks to raise awareness and increase the accurate and timely diagnosis of this rare group of inherited metabolic disorders, known as CDG;

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 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as

CONGENITAL DISORDERS OF GLYCOSYLATION (CDG) AWARENESS DAY

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of our Lord 2018.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State