

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: An estimated 1,345,123 people in the U.S. are either living with, or are in remission from, leukemia, lymphoma, or myeloma. New cases of blood cancer (leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma) are expected to account for 10 percent of the estimated 1,735,350 new cancer cases diagnosed in the U.S. in 2018. An estimated combined total of 174,250 people in the U.S. are expected to be diagnosed with a blood cancer in 2018; and

WHEREAS: Every nine minutes, someone in the U.S. dies from a blood cancer. This statistic represents approximately 160 people each day or more than six people every hour. Leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma are expected to cause the deaths of an estimated 58,100 people in the U.S. in 2018; and

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas is committed to the eradication of leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma and supports the treatment of blood cancer patients and their families;

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 2018, as

BLOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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 September, in the year of our Lord 2018.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor



Attest:



Mark Martin, Secretary Of State