

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), also known as Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD) is a nerve disorder that causes chronic pain; and

WHEREAS: The symptoms of CRPS/RSD are often described as a burning that is out of proportion to the severity of the initial injury and can include swelling, discoloration, and extreme sensitivity to touch; and

WHEREAS: While CRPS/RSD was first identified during the United States Civil War, it remains a poorly understood condition. There is no cure; and

WHEREAS: The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke and other institutes of the National Institutes of Health support research relating to CRPS/RSD; and

WHEREAS: The color orange is associated with CRPS/RSD and is used as a method to raise awareness of the disease;

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 November 1st, 2021, as

COMPLEX REGIONAL PAIN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

across the State, and I encourage my fellow citizens to be engaged in a variety of activities, such as wearing orange, learning about CRPS, and supporting those affected by the disease, whether health care professionals, or family and friends of patients.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 17th day of September, in the year of our Lord 2021.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Att

John Thurston, Secretary of State