

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: A brain aneurysm, also known as an intracranial or cerebral aneurysm, occurs when blood passes through weakened blood vessels. This pressure causes a small area to bulge outward, similar to a balloon; and

WHEREAS: Most brain aneurysms are only noticeable when they burst, which can lead to subarachnoid hemorrhage, a serious condition that has the ability to cause extensive brain damage; and

WHEREAS: Symptoms of a burst brain aneurysm include a severe headache, stiff neck, sickness and vomiting, and pain when looking at light; and

WHEREAS: Since most brain aneurysms are discovered when they burst, preventative treatment can be difficult, but certain measures can be taken to prevent this serious medical condition; and

WHEREAS: Although the exact cause of weakened blood vessels is still unknown, risk factors, such as smoking, high blood pressure, a high-fat diet, and a family history of brain aneurysms, have been associated with brain aneurysms; and

WHEREAS: While brain aneurysms can affect anyone, they are more common among women and individuals over the age of 40;

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 2022, as

BRAIN ANEURYSM AWARENESS MONTH

across the State, and I urge my fellow Arkansans to educate themselves about the risk factors and warning signs of a ruptured brain aneurysm.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 25th day of August, in the year of our Lord 2022.



Asa Hutchinson

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

John Thurston
John Thurston, Secretary of State