

# Executive Department

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of International Men's Day is to improve the length and quality of the lives of men; and

**WHEREAS**, in all but four countries, a male can expect to live a shorter life than his female counterpart; thus, men need to be made aware of their personal health and the various ways they can take care of their bodies to sustain a happy and healthy life; and

**WHEREAS**, two-thirds of suicides due to poor mental health are committed by men, which is why it is important to advocate for the early diagnosis of mental health issues; and

**WHEREAS**, a man's lack of education is linked to poor general and physical health, which is why the education of young men is imperative in maintaining their general and physical health; and

**WHEREAS**, 83% of individuals who die from violence related injuries are males, and it is important to raise awareness for violence against men and by men; and

**WHEREAS**, fathers and male role models are an essential aspect of helping young boys transition from boyhood to manhood, which is why the promotion of fathers and role models is important to supply young boys with a range of positive life choices; and

**WHEREAS**, improving men's life expectancy, helping men get diagnosed for mental health issues, improving the education of men, eliminating the violence of men against other men, and promoting fathers and role models are the five steps to which International Men's Day plans to advocate for the wellbeing of men across the country, and throughout the State of Ohio.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby recognize November 19, 2012 as

## MEN'S DAY

throughout Ohio and encourage all citizens to observe the importance of helping men and boys live longer, happier, and healthier lives.

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012;



John R. Kasich  
Governor

