

**Executive Department**

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, interest in the sport of soccer is at its highest point ever, with more than 19 million children ages 6-19 on city streets and in suburban fields playing the game; and

**WHEREAS**, US Youth Soccer, the largest youth soccer organization in the United States with more than 3.2 million members, in conjunction with the United States Soccer Federation support youth soccer and will be holding celebrations throughout September at tournaments, games, and clinics in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the messages of Youth Soccer Month mirror those of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, communicating the importance of physical activity/fitness and exercise and their link to good health; and

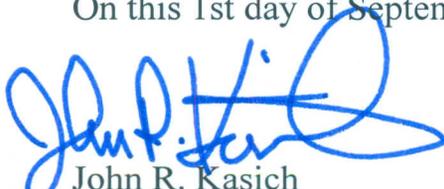
**WHEREAS**, September will be comprised of a mixture of national and grassroots activities designed to raise awareness of the physical fitness, psychological and social benefits of participating in "the beautiful game" of soccer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby designate September, 2011,

**YOUTH SOCCER MONTH**

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to help support soccer programs by raising awareness of their availability and benefits to our youth.

On this 1st day of September, 2011;

  
John R. Kasich  
Governor

