

Executive Department

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the goal of National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month is to raise awareness about the importance of screening in order to prevent colorectal cancer, the nation's third-leading cause of cancer death in both men and women; and

WHEREAS, organizations around the nation recognize this month as an exceptional opportunity for educating communities about the disease – including prevention, early detection and treatment options; and

WHEREAS, continued efforts to build awareness about the importance of colorectal cancer screening is critical to advancing our common cause, as well as a way to further increase awareness that this disease is largely preventable; and

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is treatable and beatable. It is one of only a few cancers that can be prevented through regular screening, and if colorectal cancer is found and treated at its earliest stage, the five-year survival rate is 90 percent. Building awareness is an important part of helping to increase screening and decrease mortality rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize March 2015 as

**COLORECTAL CANCER
AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to learn about colorectal cancer and become involved in efforts to raise awareness of this common cancer.

On this 1st day of March 2015:



John R. Kasich
Governor



Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

