



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2 million Americans living with limb loss/difference;

WHEREAS, over 500 people lose a limb each day in the United States;

WHEREAS, 1,000 babies are born each year in the United States with congenital limb difference;

WHEREAS, studies show 75 percent of limb loss is preventable;

WHEREAS, diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are the leading causes of limb loss;

WHEREAS, the number of amputations per day will double by 2050 unless a major public awareness campaign is launched and key prevention initiatives are put in place;

WHEREAS, the Amputee Coalition of America provides education, outreach, advocacy and a National Limb Loss Information Center for the benefit of persons with limb loss/difference, their families and health care providers; and

WHEREAS, April will be an appropriate month to designate as National Limb Loss Awareness Month as spring is a time of renewal and inspiration;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 2011 to be

LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE