



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

## **DIABETES AWARENESS DAY**

WHEREAS, Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy is a serious condition that damages nerve fibers due to disease of the small arterial blood vessels supplying nerves, often attributed to prolonged exposure to high amounts of glucose in the bloodstream of diabetes; and

WHEREAS, Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy causes a wide variety of potentially disabling symptoms including intense pain described as aching, tingling, and burning and numbness with loss of protective sensation of the feet; and

WHEREAS, diabetic nerve pain may make it difficult to stay physically active, which is a critical component of diabetes management, causing decreased glycemic control and making sufferers more likely to develop additional health problems; and

WHEREAS, 8 percent of Idahoans have been diagnosed with diabetes; and

WHEREAS, it is important that Idahoans with diabetes be made aware of the dangers and warning signs of Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy and make healthy choices to prevent the onset of this life-changing condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BUTCH OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim November 1, 2011 as

## **DIABETES AWARENESS DAY**

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 1<sup>st</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

A blue ink signature of C.L. Butch Otter.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

A blue ink signature of Ben Yursa.

BEN YURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE