



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

## **2012 NATIONAL BULK FOODS WEEK**

WHEREAS, the Bulk is Green (BIG) Council is proud to be the leading national organization dedicated to increasing awareness of the **environmental and economic benefits** of shopping for natural and organic foods in the bulk aisle; and

WHEREAS, shopping in bulk offers consumers the opportunity to **reduce waste** by limiting the amount of packaging that ends up in landfills and enabling the purchase of only the needed amounts; and

WHEREAS, shopping in bulk offers the consumer the opportunity to **save money**, as organic bulk foods are on average 89% less expensive than their packaged counterparts, according to a recent study; and

WHEREAS, the BIG Council is **partnering with retailers, grocery stores and cooperatives** nationwide to offer National Bulks Foods Week; and

WHEREAS, National Bulks Foods Week is a time to **celebrate the environmental and economic benefits of buying in bulk**, as well for consumers who have never shopped in the bulk aisle to begin experiencing the fun and savings;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of the state of Idaho do hereby proclaim the week of October 14-20, 2012 to be

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in Idaho and encourage all Idahoans to join in this observance.



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 14<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty third.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. 'Butch' Otter".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Yursa".

BEN YURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE