



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, in October 2001 the Health Initiative of the Americas, a program of the School of Public Health at the University of California, Berkeley, along with seven counties in California and the national government of Mexico, organized the first Binational Health Week, which now has become a multinational effort to promote preventive health among members of the Mexican and Hispanic community; and

WHEREAS, Binational Health Week is a collaborative effort that seeks to mobilize local health and community organizations in order to provide services and information regarding health issues; and

WHEREAS, the services and activities available during Binational Health Week have benefitted more than 1 million people in the past eleven years; and

WHEREAS, Binational Health Week is a result of the coordination between the governments of Mexico, United States and Canada, as well as Guatemala, Honduras, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Bolivia, and over 7,500 organizations seeking to facilitate health care access to those who may be unaware of their eligibility or have never received or accessed health programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the Consulate of Mexico in Boise, the Institute for Mexicans abroad, the Idaho Partnership for Hispanic Health, the Health Window of the Consulate, St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, the Hispanic Cultural Center of Idaho and over 40 organizations have joined together for the XII Binational Health Week, and the third Binational Health Week in Idaho.

WHEREAS, the XII Binational Health Week seeks to provide free access to information, activities and services related to health issues to communities in Idaho; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 6-13, 2012 to be the

XII BINATIONAL HEALTH WEEK

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 6th 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.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE