



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

**2012 PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS  
MONTH**

*WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological movement disorder of the central nervous system, which has a unique impact on each patient; and*

*WHEREAS, according to the Parkinson's Action Network, the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, the National Parkinson Foundation, the American Parkinson Disease Association and the National Institutes for Health, there are over one million Americans diagnosed with Parkinson's disease; and*

*WHEREAS, symptoms include slowness, tremor, difficulty with balance and speaking, rigidity, cognitive and memory problems; and*

*WHEREAS, although new medicines and therapies may enhance life for some time for people with Parkinson's, more work is needed for a cure; and*

*WHEREAS, increased education and research are needed to help fund more effective treatments with fewer side effects and ultimately a cure for Parkinson's disease; and*

*WHEREAS, a multidisciplinary approach to Parkinson's disease care includes local Wellness, Support, and Caregiver groups; and*

*WHEREAS, April has been proclaimed as World Wide Parkinson's Awareness Month for all to recognize the need for more research and help in dealing with the devastating effects of Parkinson's disease;*

*NOW THEREFORE, I C. L., "Butch" Otter, Governor of the State of Idaho do hereby proclaim April as*

**2012 PARKINSON'S DISEASE 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve 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-second.*

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE