



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, violent crime in America has increased 17 percent since 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, victims and survivor of crime across America need and deserve support and assistance to help them cope with the often devastating consequences of crime; and

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week – April 6th through the 12th, 2014 – encourages us to define and address “New Challenges and New Solutions” that face the fields of crime victim assistance, criminal justice and public safety; and

WHEREAS, individual victims and survivors are still challenged by fears of being blamed for what happened to them, concerns about their personal safety and security, and a desire to hold offenders accountable for the harm they caused; and

WHEREAS, by working to prevent crime and extend support to those in need, we keep faith with our fellow citizens and the basic values that unite us; so it is fitting that we renew that commitment this week, and let us rededicate ourselves to advancing it in the year ahead.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the week of April 6th through April 12th, 2014 to be

IDAHO CRIME VICTIMS’ RIGHTS WEEK

in Idaho to bring awareness to the need to support crime victims through counseling, shelter, and support as they begin the process of recovery and healing from the victimization of others.



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 8th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-fourth.

Handwritten signature of C.L. Butch Otter in black ink.

C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER
GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Ben Ysursa in black ink.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE