



*Executive Department
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor
Proclamation*

*State Capitol
Boise*

WHEREAS, addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth and families today is fundamental to the future of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the need for comprehensive and coordinated mental health services for children, youth and families places a critical responsibility on our community, and the participation of family members in assessment and treatment of children and adolescents is integral to positive clinical outcomes; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that a week should be set aside each year for the direction of our thoughts toward our children's mental health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Idaho are encouraged to wear green in support of children's mental health issues, and attempt to participate in events scheduled for the week designed to inform and increase mental health awareness; and

WHEREAS, through public awareness, the State of Idaho seeks to focus on the needs of children with emotional, behavioral and mental health needs and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health, through its collaboration with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare- Children's Mental Health, St. Lukes Regional Medical Center, and their unique approach to serving children and adolescents, effectively cares for the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the week of May 3 – 10, 2014, to be

***CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS 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 2nd day of May 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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "C.L. Butch Otter".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Yursa".

BEN YURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE