



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, Idaho has 235 certificated organic operations throughout the state, with organic cropland and rangeland acreage increasing in recent years; and

WHEREAS, organic agriculture contributes over \$55 million annually to Idaho's economy; and

WHEREAS, organic agriculture stimulates the local economy by supporting local businesses and reinvesting money back into the community; and

WHEREAS, consumer trends show great interest in eating organically and supporting local producers; and

WHEREAS, Idaho farmers cultivate a wide variety of quality organic products including fruits, vegetables, meats, dairy and wine, as well as such non-food products as flowers and hay; and

WHEREAS, Idaho ranks in the top 10 in the nation for the production of many organic products; and

WHEREAS, consumers can find Idaho organic products at local farmers markets, grocery stores and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho supports the development and operation of organic agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim July 20th-26th, 2014 to be

IDAHO ORGANIC WEEK

and I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the many benefits of Organic 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 20th day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-fifth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE