



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, the vitality of our state and nation depends on how safe we keep our homes, neighborhoods, schools, workplaces and communities; and

WHEREAS, crime - and fear of crime - destroys our trust in others and in civic institutions, threatening the community's health, prosperity and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages must be made aware of what they can do to prevent themselves and their families, neighbors and coworkers from being harmed by crime; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages must be made aware of the dangers of crime and how they can protect themselves from becoming victims; and

WHEREAS, the personal injury, financial loss, and community deterioration resulting from crimes are intolerable and require investment from the whole community; and

WHEREAS, crime prevention initiatives must include self-protection and security, but they must go beyond these to promote collaborative efforts to make neighborhoods safer for all ages and to develop positive opportunities for young people; and

WHEREAS, adults must invest time, resources and policy support in effective prevention and intervention strategies for youth, and adults must engage teens in programs to drive crime from their communities; and

WHEREAS, effective crime prevention programs succeed because of partnerships with law enforcement, other government agencies, civic groups, schools, faith communities, businesses and individuals as they help to nurture shared responsibilities and instill pride;

NOW THEREFORE, I C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the state of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2015 to be

CRIME PREVENTION MONTH

in Idaho and urge all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, and businesses to invest in the power of prevention and work together to make our cities, counties and state a safer, stronger, more caring community.



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 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred fortieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-sixth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE