



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

**Hunger Awareness Month**

WHEREAS, Idahoans have a long tradition of humanitarian service and generosity toward their fellow man, and those who voluntarily give their own time and efforts truly exemplify the highest degree of conscientious service and commitment to building a better world; and

WHEREAS, Idaho has been ranked as the 29<sup>th</sup> hungriest state in our nation by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and citizens across Idaho have a shared concern about this issue and extend themselves to join numerous causes that seek to alleviate hunger among their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, good nutrition and eating habits have a positive effect on health, well-being, ability of our children to learn, and the independence of our seniors; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is an agricultural state, strengthening local Idaho food systems can benefit Idaho farmers and hungry Idahoans with nutritious local food; and

WHEREAS, Idahoans have traveled from each region of our state to attend the third statewide 2011 Idaho Summit on Hunger and Food Insecurity: Stopping Hunger Before it Begins; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's private and public sector collaborations have improved the State's rank from the 8<sup>th</sup> hungriest state in the nation in 2006 to the 29<sup>th</sup> hungriest in 2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER Governor of the State of Idaho do hereby proclaim October 2011 to be

**HUNGER 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE