



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

Suicide Prevention Week

WHEREAS, Suicide Prevention Week will be held in Idaho starting Sunday, September 4th and ending Saturday, September 10th; and

WHEREAS, Idaho has 141,700 military veterans, and in comparison to other states, Idaho is experiencing one of the highest percentage increases in veteran population; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is committed to supporting veterans and service members and their families as well as nurturing strong communities to help them stay safe at home as well as abroad; it is our responsibility to ensure that these brave men and women have access to services they need both during and after their military service; and

WHEREAS, veterans are valued citizens of our towns and cities, productive members of our society, beloved fathers and mothers, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters or friends and family; we come together to show support for them now, and in times of need; and

WHEREAS, it is important to spread the word of the confidential Veterans Crisis Line and online chat, lifesaving resources available to veterans, their friends and family 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, by calling 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1 or visiting www.VeteransCrisisLine.net;

NOW, THEREFORE I, C.L. "Butch" Otter, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 4th through September 10th, 2011, to be

Suicide Prevention 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 4th day of September 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