

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN
I, Rick Snyder, Governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim October 2013 as

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, a woman receives a diagnosis of breast cancer every two minutes and approximately 1.3 million people, men and women, are diagnosed with breast cancer each year, making this disease the most prevalent cancer in the world today; and,

WHEREAS, when cells in the breast divide and grow out of control, they form tumors; tumors are either benign, non-cancerous, or malignant, abnormal and cancerous, and a malignant tumor that develops in the breast is called breast cancer; and,

WHEREAS, the exact cause of breast cancer remains unknown and, at this time, there is no cure; however, through research and advocacy, significant advances have been made in the fight against breast cancer, including an increase in survival rates for localized breast cancer from 74 percent to 98 percent; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, we join with numerous organizations, agencies and health professionals to raise awareness of breast cancer in Michigan; we encourage women throughout the state to learn more about breast cancer, proper breast health and the importance of having an annual mammogram;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, Governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim October 2013 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Michigan.

A blue ink signature of Rick Snyder, written in a cursive style.

Rick Snyder
Governor

