

Proclamation

by

Matthew G. Bevin
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Kentucky is dedicated to advancing the health, safety and well-being of all citizens regardless of race, ethnicity, nationality, language or gender by promoting healthy behaviors to strengthening community-based programs to prevent injury and disease; and
- WHEREAS, Despite these efforts, significant disparities exist in the prevalence and mortality of diseases among minorities and vulnerable populations across the Commonwealth; and
- WHEREAS, Mortality rates for prostate, breast and colorectal cancers are highest among African American residents; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky's teen pregnancy rate is highest among Hispanic and Appalachian populations; and
- WHEREAS, Health disparities impose significant costs and place a heavy toll on the health and productivity of the citizens of the Commonwealth; and
- WHEREAS, All Kentuckians can improve health outcomes in Kentucky by strengthening health programs and raising awareness to reduce and eliminate health disparities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2018, as

MINORITY HEALTH MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 16th day of March, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen and in the 226th year of the Commonwealth.


MATTHEW G. BEVIN
GOVERNOR


ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
SECRETARY OF STATE

3/19/18

APPROVED AND FORWARDED

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