

WHEREAS, people of all ages throughout the world have developed Toxic Injury, illnesses and disabilities from toxic exposures; and

WHEREAS, Toxic Injury is often characterized by medical intolerance to very small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals and other toxins found in homes, everyday products and environment; and

WHEREAS, Toxic Injury can be caused by short-term or chronic exposure to one or more chemicals, frequently pesticides and solvents, and may include multiple, often disabling illnesses which can be life threatening; and

WHEREAS, Toxic Injury is a chronic debilitating condition for which there is no known cure, causing serious financial, employment, learning, housing, health, social and other consequences; and

WHEREAS, the prevalence of these illnesses and the lack of knowledge and/or understanding warrants further education in this field for the public in general, future as well as practicing doctors, dentists, rescue personnel as well as other health care, social service, rehabilitation, housing, architects, HVAC designers and installers, building maintenance and cleaning personnel, school and employer/supervisory persons at schools, work places and public facilities and pest control personnel; and

WHEREAS, there are diagnostic codes readily available for toxic effects of many chemicals found in our everyday environment and surroundings

WHEREAS,, those suffering with Toxic Injury deserve the same rights, acknowledgement, respect, support and help allotted to other illnesses and disabilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN E. BALDACCI, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2008 as

TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS & EDUCATION MONTH

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this twenty-eighth day of January Two Thousand and Eight.

> John E. Baldacci Governor

Matthew Dunlap Secretary of State TRUE ATTESTED COPY



REQUESTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BROWARD COUNTY

WHEREAS, people of all ages in Broward County and throughout the world have developed a condition known as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) as a result of environmental pollution; and

WHEREAS, MCS is a chronic condition of hypersensitivity for which there is no curre; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of MCS may include severe adverse reactions to the environment, food intolerance, muscle and joint pain, rashes, short-term memory loss, and respiratory and neurological problems; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Social Security Administration, U.S. Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and other governmental agencies and commissions; and

WHEREAS, MCS can cause major financial, employment, housing, health, and social consequences for people who have this disability; and

WHEREAS, the health of the general population is at risk from chemical exposures that can lead to illnesses; and

WHEREAS, these illnesses may be preventable through reduction or avoidance of chemicals in the air, water, and food in both imdoor and outdoor environments; and

WHEREAS, information about and recognition of MCS can provide opportunities for many people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, identification of MCS can enable many individuals to enjoy access to work, schooling, public facilities, and other settings where they can continue to contribute their skills, ideals, creativity, abilities, and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, people with MCS need the support and understanding of family, friends, co-workers, and society as they struggle with their illness and adapt to new life-styles; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

That the Board hereby declares the month of May 2008 as "MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY AWARENESS MONTH" in Broward County, Florida.

May 1, 2008

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Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, people of all ages throughout the world have developed illnesses from Toxic Injury, also referred to by some as Chemically Induced Illness; and

WHEREAS, Toxic Injury is often characterized by heightened sensitivity to very small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals and other toxins found in our everyday products and environment. It can be caused by short-term or chromic exposure to one or more chemicals, frequently pesticides, and solvents; and

WHEREAS, Toxic Injury may include multiple, often disabling illnesses and can be life threatening; and

WHEREAS, Toxic Impury is a chronic debilitating condition for which there is no known cure, causing serious financial, employment, learning, housing, health, social and other comsequences; and

WHEREAS, The prevalence of these illnesses and the lack of knowledge and qualified doctors clearly warrant further education an this field for the public in general, future as well as practicing doctors, dentists, rescue personnel as well as other health care, social service, rehabilitation, housing, architects, HVAC designers and installers, building maintenance and cleaning personnel, school and employer/supervisory persons at schools, work places and public facilities and pest control personnel. "Knowledge is Power", and that Power of Knowledge can save precious lives; and

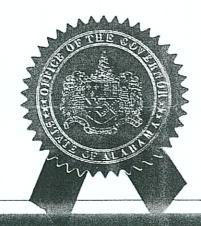
WHEREAS, There are diagnostic codes readily available for toxic effects of many chemicals found in our everyday environment and surroundings; and

WHEREAS, Those sunffering with Toxic Injury deserve the same rights. acknowledgment, respect, support and help allotted to other illnesses & disabilities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 2008, as

Toxic Injury Awareness and Education Month

in the State of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 19th day of March 2008.

Governor Bob Riley



By Her Excellency M. Jodi Rell, Governor: an

Official Statement

WHEREAS, Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) is a preventable disorder in which people develop a variety of symptoms as a result of a single massive exposure or repeated low-level exposure to toxic chemicals and other irritants in the environment; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of MCS include chronic fatigue, muscle and joint pains, rashes, asthma, short-term memory loss, headaches, sleep disorders and other respiratory and neurological problems; and

WHEREAS, MCS is a chronic condition for which there is no known cure and which usually involves the immune, endocrine, respiratory, central nervous and other organ systems; and

WHEREAS, MCS can cause major personal financial, employment, housing and social consequences for people who have this disability; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, Social Security Administration, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, and other state and national government agencies and commissions which have supported the health and welfare of the chemically injured; and

WHEREAS, reasonable accommodations, information about and recognition of MCS can enable people with MCS to enjoy access to work, schooling, public facilities, and other settings where they can continue to contribute their skills, ideas, creativity, abilities and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, people with MCS need the support and understanding of family, friends, coworkers and society as they struggle with their illness and adapt to new life styles; now

THEREFORE, I, M. Jodi Rell, Governor of the State of Connecticut, in support of increased understanding and education that will aid in the prevention of MCS and research into the causes and treatment of it, and in honor of the Ecological Health Organization's 15th Anniversary, do hereby officially proclaim the month of May 2008, as

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY (MCS) AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Connecticut.

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MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY (MCS) AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) is a painful chronic condition of hypersensitivity reactions to the environment for which there is no cure; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of MCS may include acute reactions to chemicals, food and medication, as well as severe neurological problems, muscle and joint pain, memory, and respiratory difficulties; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the U.S. Access Board, Social Security Administration, U.S. Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and numerous other governmental agencies and commissions; and

WHEREAS, the health of the general population is at risk from chemical exposures that can lead to this environmentally induced illness; and

WHEREAS, this illness may be preventable through the reduction or avoidance of chemicals in the air, water, and food in both indoor and outdoor environments and by conducting more scientific research; and

WHEREAS, people with MCS need the support of the Medical Establishment, understanding of family, friends, co-workers, and society as they struggle with their illness and adapt to new lifestyles;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charlie Crist, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 2008 as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) Awareness Month.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 25th day of January, in the year two thousand eight.

Governor



Connecticut

By Her Excellency M. Jodi Rell, Governor: an

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WHEREAS, MCS can cause major personal financial, employment, housing and social consequences for people who have this disability; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, Social Security Administration, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, and other state and national government agencies and commissions which have supported the health and welfare of the chemically injured; and

WHEREAS, reasonable accommodations, information about and recognition of MCS can enable people with MCS to empty access to work, schooling, public facilities, and other settings where they can continue to contribute their skills, ideas, creativity, abilities and knowledge; and

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MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY (MCS) AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Connecticut.



Honorary Proclamation



BH I RITTER, JR. GOVERNOR

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY AND TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS MONTH May 2008

WHEREAS, multiple chemical sensitivity (MCS) and toxic injury affect people of all ages, ethnicities, cultures, and religions; and

WHEREAS, MCS and toxic injury are often characterized by heightened sensitivity to minute amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals, and other toxins; and

WHEREAS. MCS and toxic injury are chronic conditions for which there are no known cures, creating multiple, often disabling illnesses, which can be life-threatening; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness to educate citizens of the dangers of MCS and toxic injury is one of the many ways we can battle the devastating effects of this chronic incurable condition; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado recognizes those who suffer from MCS or toxic injury, and acknowledges these victims deserve the same rights, respect, and support allotted for those with other illnesses and disabilities:

Therefore, I, Bill Ritter, Jr., Governor of Colorado, do hereby proclaim May 2008.

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY AND TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-ninth day of January, 2008

Bill Ritter, Jr. Governor





Proclamation

Whereas, the Empire State places a high priority on the health and well-being of its citizens and join in efforts to raise awareness of various health issues, such as Toxic Injury, also referred to as Chemically Induced Illness, Chemical Sensitivity or Multiple Chemical Sensitivity; and

Whereas, Toxic Injury is characterized by heightened sensitivity to small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals, and other toxins found in everyday products and the environment, and can be caused by short-term or chronic exposure to one or more chemicals, pesticides or solvents; and

Whereas, affecting people of every age, race and background, Toxic Injury may include multiple disabling illnesses affecting the immune, musculoskeletal, porphrin, energy metabolism, endocrine systems; and

Whereas, symptoms of Toxic Injury include, but are not limited to: headaches, poor coordination and concentration, memory loss, stroke-like symptoms and seizures, increased thirst, heart palpitations, increased blood pressure and heart rate, chronic fatigue, aching joints and muscles, burning sensation, breathing difficulty, and eye, nose, ear, throat and skin irritations; and

Whereas, Toxic Injury has no known cure and can have serious life-altering consequences for sufferers that can impact their financial stability, employment, education opportunities, housing and social acceptance; and

Whereas, there is relatively little known about Toxic Injury and related conditions such as Chemical Sensitivity or Multiple Chemical Sensitivity, and this monthlong observance serves to raise awareness of these illnesses through increased education and public information campaigns that emphasize the importance of protecting the quality of our environment and preventing human exposure to dangerous chemicals;

Aow, Therefore, I, David A. Paterson, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby recognize May 2008 as

TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS MONTH

in the Empire State.



(5) in en under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany this twenty-ninth day of March in the year two thousand eight.

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Secretary to the Governor



WHEREAS, people of all ages in Washington have developed a condition known as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) as a result of a single massive exposure or repeated low level exposures to toxic chemicals and other irritants in the environment; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the World Health Organization, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Social Security Administration, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Environmental Protection Agency, as well as other state and federal government agencies and commissions which have supported the health and welfare of the chemically injured; and

WHEREAS, MCS is a chronic condition for which there is no known cure; symptoms include chronic fatigue, muscle and joint pains, rashes, asthma, headaches, and other respiratory and neurological problems; and

WHEREAS, MCS can cause major financial, employment, housing, health, and social consequences for people who have this disability; and

WHEREAS, reasonable accommodations and information about recognition of MCS can provide opportunities for people with this disability to enjoy access to work, schooling, public facilities, and other settings where they can continue to contribute their professional skills, ideas, creativity, abilities, and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, people with MCS need the support and cooperation of family, friends, coworkers and society as they manage their condition and adapt to new life styles;

NOW, *THEREFORE*, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Awareness Month

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to support understanding, education, and research of MCS.

Signed this 8th day of January, 2008

Governor Christine O. Gregoire



Toxic Injury Awareness Month

May 2008

A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WHEREAS, people of all ages throughout the world have developed illnesses from toxic injury, illnesses, and disabilities; and

WHEREAS, toxic injury is a chronic debilitating condition for which there is no known cure, causing serious financial, employment, learning, housing, health, social and other consequences; and

WHEREAS, toxic injury is often characterized by medical intolerance to very small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals and other toxins found in homes, our everyday products and environment which can be caused by short-term or chronic exposure to one or more chemicals, frequently pesticides, and solvents:

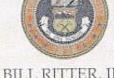
NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim May 2008, as "TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS MONTH" in Washington, DC.

Adrian M. Fenty

Mayor, District of Columbia



Honorary Proclamation



BILL RITTER, JR. GOVERNOR

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY AND TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS MONTH May 2008

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WHEREAS, raising awareness to educate citizens of the dangers of MCS and toxic injury is one of the many ways we can battle the devastating effects of this chronic incurable condition; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado recognizes those who suffer from MCS or toxic injury, and acknowledges these victims deserve the same rights, respect, and support allotted for those with other illnesses and disabilities;

Therefore, I, Bill Ritter, Jr., Governor of Colorado, do hereby proclaim May 2008.

MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY AND TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twenty-ninth day of January, 2008

Bill Ritter, Jr. Governor

