

Proclamation

by

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Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, It is estimated that 6.7 million people currently live with chronic wounds, and that number is expected to grow at more than two percent annually for the next decade; and
- WHEREAS, The rising incidence is fueled by an aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions such as diabetes, obesity and the late effects of radiation therapy; and
- WHEREAS, Untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and possibly amputation of the affected limb; and
- WHEREAS, Over 400,00 adults in Kentucky have diabetes, and up to 25 percent of this population may develop a diabetic foot ulcer or non-healing wound; and
- WHEREAS, Advanced wound care aims to prevent amputations and heal patients in a faster and more cost-effective way; and
- WHEREAS, Awareness and education about chronic wounds will benefit current and future chronic wound patients; and
- WHEREAS, The goal of Wound Care Awareness Week is to inform patients, their families, community physicians and the general public about the importance of advanced wound care and its ability to save lives and limbs;

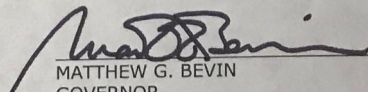
NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim the week of June 4-8, 2018, as

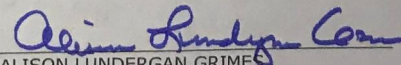
WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK

in Kentucky.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 25th day of May, 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