

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

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, untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and possibly amputation of the affected limb; and

WHEREAS, more than 29.1 million people (9.3% of population) have diabetes in the United States, and almost two million of those people will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other non-healing wound; and

WHEREAS, awareness and education about chronic wounds will benefit current and future chronic wound patients. 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, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim June 5-9, 2017, as

WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Mississippi.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, on the 22nd day of May in the year of our Lord, two thousand and seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-first.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phil Bryant".

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR