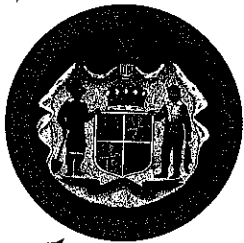


The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland
STEVEN JOHNSON SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH
AUGUST 2010

- WHEREAS,** *Stevens Johnson Syndrome (SJS) and TEN (Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis), another form of SJS, are severe adverse reactions (ADR's) to prescription and over-the-counter medication; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Those afflicted with SJS experience severe inflammation of the mucus membranes and, if left untreated, SJS can result in blindness, other serious health problems, and death; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Recognizing the early symptoms of SJS and prompt medical attention are the most invaluable tools in minimizing the possible long-term effects SJS may have on its victims; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The health and safety of our citizens is of the utmost importance and the State of Maryland is committed to raising awareness and supporting all efforts to minimize the effects of life-threatening diseases such as Stevens Johnson Syndrome.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim AUGUST 2010 as Steven Johnson Syndrome Awareness Month in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 1st day of August
Two Thousand and ten

Martin O'Malley
Governor

Robert Ehrlich
Lt. Governor

John C. McLean
Secretary of State