

STATE OF MICHIGAN



Executive
Office

Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2010

Stevens Johnson Syndrome Awareness Month

Whereas, Stevens Johnson Syndrome (SJS) is a severe adverse reaction to medication, which accounts for approximately 150,000 deaths per year in the United States; and,

Whereas, Each year, SJS sends more than two million Americans to the hospital, a large portion of those victims being children; and,

Whereas, Almost any medication – including those purchased over-the-counter – can cause SJS, resulting in symptoms such as, but not limited to, rash, fever, conjunctivitis and blisters in the mouth, eyes, ears, and nose; and,

Whereas, Recognizing the early symptoms of SJS and receiving prompt medical attention are the most valuable tools in minimizing possible long-term effects of this condition;

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, governor of the state of Michigan, hereby proclaim September 2010 Stevens Johnson Syndrome Awareness Month in Michigan. As there is not much known about this disorder, residents of this state are encouraged to increase public awareness of SJS so that symptoms are recognized and treatment is rendered early.



Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor