



WHEREAS, the week of April 3-9, 2017, is designated as National Public Health Week with the theme “Healthiest Nation 2030”;
and,

WHEREAS, the observation is a cooperative effort of the American Public Health Association, the Illinois Public Health Association, state and local health departments, academic institutions, allied organizations, community groups, and professional and trade associations which join together to promote a common interest in public health; and,

WHEREAS, some of the greatest achievements of public health include vaccinations, safer workplaces, control of infectious diseases, safer and healthier foods, motor vehicle safety, healthier moms and babies, fluoridation of drinking water, public health preparedness, and recognition of tobacco use as a health hazard; and,

WHEREAS, Americans are living 20 years longer than their grandparents’ generation, largely thanks to the work of public health; yet people in many other high-income countries live longer and suffer fewer health issues than we do; and,

WHEREAS, changing our health means ensuring conditions that give everyone the opportunity to be healthy by removing barriers and pursuing options for expanded access to quality care; and,

WHEREAS, strong and consistent funding levels are necessary for the public health system to respond to both everyday health threats and also unexpected health emergencies; and,

WHEREAS, collaborative efforts by individuals, communities, providers, and policy makers include rallying around a common goal of creating the healthiest nation in one generation;

THEREFORE, I, Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim the week of April 3-9, 2017, as **PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK** in Illinois and call upon residents to observe this week by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and leaders better understand the value of public health and adopt preventive lifestyle habits in light of this year’s theme, “Healthiest Nation 2030.”

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the
Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,

this TWENTY-THIRD day of MARCH, in

the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and

SEVENTEEN, and of the State of Illinois,

one hundred and NINETY-NINTH.



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Bruce Rauner

SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR