

Proclamation

by

Andy Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Kentucky has long been concerned with the health of its citizens; and
- WHEREAS, Lung diseases, known collectively as chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases, are the fourth leading cause of death in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases cost the United States economy an estimated \$49 billion a year; and
- WHEREAS, Asthma, along with chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases, affect millions of Kentucky citizens and visitors; and
- WHEREAS, Respiratory therapists are dedicated to teaching Kentucky residents about their lung health and providing information and testing to prevent or slow the spread of lung disease in this country; and
- WHEREAS, The people of Kentucky deserve the opportunity to grow, thrive and be healthy, informed and aware of their respiratory health and the factors affecting that health; and
- WHEREAS, During October, respiratory therapists, pulmonologists, health care advocates, and other professionals from around the world will be raising awareness of respiratory health issues through special screenings and other activities during Respiratory Care Week, October 23-29, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 23-29, 2022, as

RESPIRATORY CARE WEEK

in Kentucky, and extend thanks and best wishes to all respiratory health care professionals for providing life-saving care every day and for participating in Respiratory Care Week to the benefit of the respiratory health of the citizens of Kentucky.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 29th day of September, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Two and in the 231st year of the Commonwealth.

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