STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Children are Oregon's most valuable resource, and Oregonians have a responsibility to promote and nurture their well-being; and

WHEREAS: It is the responsibility of both parents to provide emotional and financial support to their children to help them grow into healthy, productive adults; and

WHEREAS: The Oregon Child Support Program, through the Department of Justice Division of Child Support and county District Attorneys, the Oregon Judicial Department, employers, fatherhood programs, and other stakeholders are dedicated to supporting the efforts of Oregon's parents to provide for their child needs; and

WHEREAS: During Child Support Awareness Month, all Oregonians are encouraged to look to the future of our state – its children – and work together to create opportunities that ensure their success.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **August 2012** to be

CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, July 20, 2012.

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

Kate Brown, Secretary of State