



In the Name and by the Authority of

THE STATE OF OHIO



WHEREAS, in the United States about 6.7 million people live with chronic wounds — a number that is expected to grow by more than 2% annually for the next decade; and

WHEREAS, untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and, in some cases, amputation; and

WHEREAS, the increase in chronic wounds costs the U.S. health care system more than \$50 billion a year; and

WHEREAS, more than 30 million people in the United States have diabetes and almost 2 million of them will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other hard-to-heal wound; and

WHEREAS, awareness and education about chronic wounds will benefit current and future patients; and

NOW, THEREFORE, We, *Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio*, do hereby recognize June 3 – 7 as

WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK

on this 28th day of May 2019.

Mike DeWine
Governor



Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor