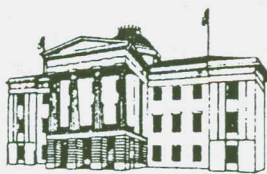


# State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE  
GOVERNOR

**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITIES AWARENESS MONTH**

**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITIES AWARENESS DAY**

2010

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, people of all ages have developed the condition known as *Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS)*, often following either a single massive chemical exposure or repeated low level exposures to chemicals in the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, *MCS* is a chronic condition for which there is neither a proven treatment nor a cure and which usually presents with several of the following signs and symptoms: chronic fatigue, muscle and joint pain, asthma, cognitive difficulties involving memory and concentration, headaches, and other respiratory and neurological problems; and

**WHEREAS**, *MCS* can have a profound impact in the areas of employment, housing, access, personal relationships, and economic well being for those who have this condition; and

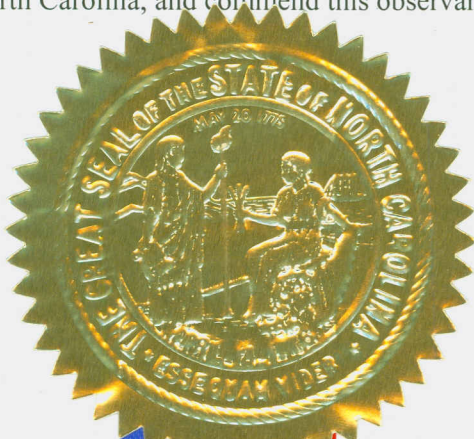
**WHEREAS**, the health of the general population is at risk from chemical exposures which can lead to illnesses that can be prevented through the reduction or avoidance of chemicals in the air, water, and food in both indoor and outdoor environments; and

**WHEREAS**, *MCS* is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Social Security Administration, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Environmental Protection Agency, and other state and federal governmental agencies and commissions which have supported the health and welfare of people with this condition; and

**WHEREAS**, reasonable accommodations, educational efforts, and recognition of *MCS* can provide opportunities for people with this condition to enjoy access to work, schooling, public facilities, and other settings where they can contribute their skills, knowledge, ideas, and creativity; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals with *MCS* need the understanding and support of family, friends, employers and co-workers, medical professionals, other members of society, and governmental agencies at all levels to help them cope with the significant and pervasive lifestyle changes imposed by this illness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2010, as "**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITIES AWARENESS MONTH**" and May 12, 2010, as "**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITIES AWARENESS DAY**" in North Carolina, and commend this observance to all our citizens.



  
BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-third day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-fourth.