



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, people of all ages throughout the world have developed Toxic Injury, illnesses, and disabilities from toxic exposures.; and

**WHEREAS**, Toxic Injury is often characterized by medical intolerance to very small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals and other toxins found in homes, our everyday products and environment. It can be caused by short-term or chronic exposure to one or more chemicals, frequently pesticides, and solvents; and

**WHEREAS**, Toxic Injury may include multiple, often disabling illnesses and can be life threatening; and

**WHEREAS**, Toxic Injury is a chronic debilitating condition for which there is no known cure, causing serious financial, employment, learning, housing, health, social and other consequences; and

**WHEREAS**, the prevalence of these illnesses and the lack of knowledge and qualified doctors clearly warrant further education in this field for the public in general, future as well as practicing doctors, dentists, rescue personnel as well as other health care, social service, rehabilitation, housing, architects, HVAC designers and installers, building maintenance and cleaning personnel, school and employer/supervisory persons at schools, work places and public facilities and pest control personnel. "Knowledge is Power", and that Power of Knowledge can save precious lives!; and

**WHEREAS**, there are diagnostic codes readily available for toxic effects of many chemicals found in our everyday environment and surroundings; and .

**WHEREAS**, those suffering with Toxic Injury deserve the same rights, acknowledgment, respect, support and help allotted to other illnesses & disabilities;

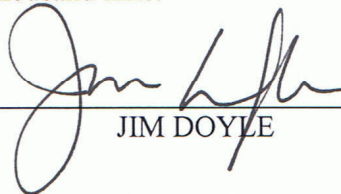
**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim **May, 2009** as

**NATIONAL TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS & EDUCATION MONTH**

in support of increased awareness, education, understanding and research into the causes, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of Toxic Injury.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this twelfth day of January in the year two thousand nine.

  
JIM DOYLE

By the Governor

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State