



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida's seniors are valued members of society, and it is our collective responsibility to ensure that they live safe lives; and

WHEREAS, seniors should be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers, and important and active members of society; and

WHEREAS, combating abuse and empowering the elderly will help improve the quality of life for all seniors across this state and will allow seniors to continue to live as independently as possible; and

WHEREAS, we are all responsible for building safer communities for Florida's seniors; and

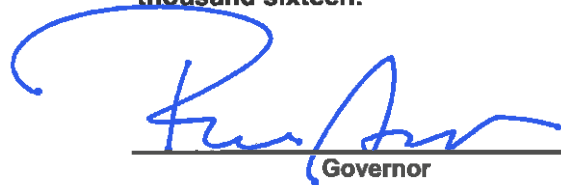
WHEREAS, we are all required to report elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation when we suspect it; and

WHEREAS, the welfare of seniors is in the best interest of all citizens and further adds to the well-being of our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing June 15, 2016, as *Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Florida*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this third day of June, in the year two thousand sixteen.



Governor