WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, Ohio for Responsible Gambling and the National Council on Problem Gambling have designated March 2018 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a public health issue affecting nearly one million Ohio adults of all ages, races and ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, problem gambling has a significant societal and economic cost for individuals, families, businesses and communities; and

WHEREAS, problem gambling is treatable and treatment is effective in minimizing this harm to both individuals and society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, numerous individuals, professionals and organizations have dedicated their efforts to the education of the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, Ohio for Responsible Gambling and the National Council on Problem Gambling invite all residents of Ohio to participate in Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the state of Ohio, do hereby recognize March 2018 as

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throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to participate in the theme, “Have the Conversation,” with friends, family, patients and clients about responsible gambling and gambling addiction.

On this 1st day of March 2018;

John R. Kasich
Governor

Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor