STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, cervical cancer is a serious public health issue facing women in the United States as 1 in 145 women will be diagnosed with cervical cancer during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society predicts 12,000 U.S. women will develop cervical cancer and 4,210 women will die of cervical cancer during 2010; and

WHEREAS, cervical cancer takes a tremendous health, emotional and financial toll on the women of Indiana, and according to the American Cancer Society, approximately 250 women were diagnosed with cervical cancer in the Hoosier State in 2010 alone;

WHEREAS, factors associated with poverty and race contribute to substantial differences in cervical cancer incidence and mortality; and

WHEREAS, pre-cancerous lesions and cervical cancer can be prevented with vaccines, detected with screening and treated successfully with early detection; and

WHEREAS, cervical cancer can be eliminated in our lifetime through innovative collaborations and partnerships between state and local health departments, medical providers, school systems, women's health advocates and the private business sector; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim January 2 - 8, 2011 as

CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of State. Done at the City of Indianapolis, this 29th day of December in the year of our Lord 2010 and of the Independence of the United States 234.

BY THE GOVERNOR: M E Daniels, Jr.