

State of Maine



**WHEREAS**, the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention reports that in 2014, more than 1,395 cases of Lyme disease have been reported; and

**WHEREAS**, the actual incidence of Lyme disease is likely far more than reported; and

**WHEREAS**, Lyme disease disproportionately affects children between five and fifteen years and mature adults over sixty-five years; and

**WHEREAS**, public awareness and education are necessary to educate and promote awareness of Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the 124<sup>th</sup> Maine Legislature enacted Public Law Chapter 494, L.D. 1709, Item 1, *An Act to Enhance Public Awareness of Lyme Disease*.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL R. LEPAGE**, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the month of May as

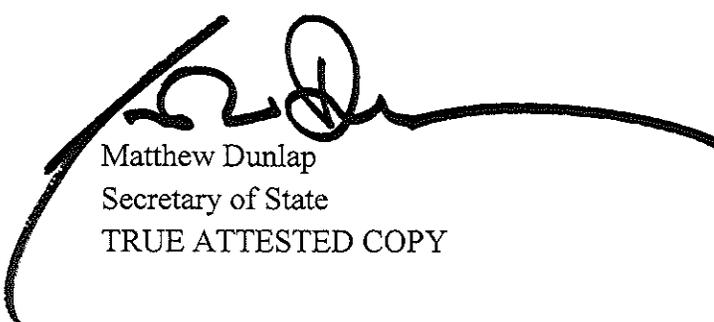
**LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout the State of Maine, and urge the public to become aware of the steps that can be taken to reduce the risk of tick-borne illnesses.

In testimony whereof, I have caused  
the Great Seal of the State to be  
hereunto affixed GIVEN under my  
hand at Augusta this sixteenth  
day of April Two Thousand Fifteen



*Paul R. LePage*  
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Governor

  
Matthew Dunlap  
Secretary of State

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