IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE CAUSED

To be printed the Seal of the State, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

Lynch Syndrome Awareness Day

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL R. LEPAGE, do hereby recognize March 27th, 2012 as

WHEREAS, the number of Lynch syndrome deaths will reduce as a result of public awareness of Lynch syndrome, and the early and effective removal of affected organs before becoming the primary and secondary cancers may be detected and treated or removed when becoming the primary and secondary cancers.

WHEREAS, a positive genetic test will greatly increase the patient's ability to accurately screen for and counsel against the primary and secondary cancers and that it is the purpose of this observance to honor the memory of those affected by Lynch syndrome and to promote greater awareness of the disease.

WHEREAS, over 600,000 persons in the United States have Lynch syndrome, but less than 5% of those persons are currently diagnosed and approximately one in every thirty-three individuals with colorectal cancer have Lynch syndrome.

WHEREAS, I urge all persons to make an informed and educated choice to be screened for Lynch syndrome.