

STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the week of April 3-9, 2023, is National Public Health Week and the theme is “Centering and Celebrating Cultures in Health”; and,

WHEREAS, the observation is a cooperative effort of the American Public Health Association, the Illinois Public Health Association, state and local health departments, academic institutions, allied organizations, community groups, and professional and trade associations which have joined together to promote a common interest in public health; and,

WHEREAS, the goal of National Public Health Week 2023 is to recognize the contributions of public health in improving the health of the people of the United States and achieving health equity; and,

WHEREAS, inside health departments in every corner of the state, public health workers ensure the basic foundations necessary for good health — clean water, safe food, breathable air, and access to life-saving vaccines; and,

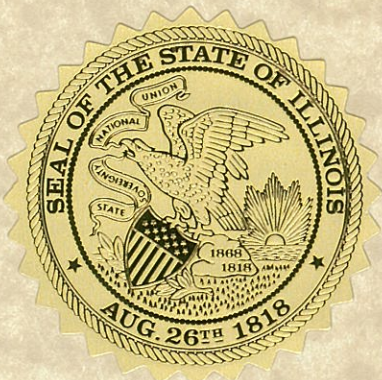
WHEREAS, public health professionals help communities prevent, prepare for, withstand, and recover from the impact of a full range of health threats, including disease outbreaks such as the COVID-19 pandemic, measles, natural disasters, and disasters caused by human activity; and,

WHEREAS, strong and consistent funding levels are necessary for the public health system to respond to both everyday health threats and unexpected health emergencies;

*THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim the week of April 3-9, 2023, as **Public Health Week** in Illinois and call upon residents to observe this week by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and leaders better understand the value of public health and to celebrate the unique and joyful ways different cultures focus on health in light of this year’s theme.*

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this TWENTY-THIRD day of MARCH, in
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
TWENTY-THREE, and of the State of Illinois,
two hundred and FIFTH.



Alexi Giannoulis
SECRETARY OF STATE

JB Pritzker
GOVERNOR