

Proclamation

by

Matthew G. Bevin
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, The rates of many healthcare-associated infections continue to decline, the importance of involving patients and healthcare professionals in the prevention of infections remains at an all-time high; and
- WHEREAS, The number one way to prevent infections is hand hygiene, and the Healthcare-Associated Infection/Antibiotic Resistance Prevention Program is encouraging patients and healthcare personnel to take a pledge to actively engage in infection prevention; and
- WHEREAS, The patients and families infection prevention pledge focuses on practicing good hand hygiene, not pressuring providers for unnecessary antibiotics, and getting appropriate vaccinations; and
- WHEREAS, Healthcare professionals pledge to practicing hand hygiene, using personal protective equipment, respond appropriately to patient and family's questions, practice safe injection techniques, and get an annual influenza vaccine; and
- WHEREAS, October 14-20, 2018 celebrates the twenty-ninth anniversary of International Infection Prevention week with the theme of "**Infection Prevention is Everyone's Business**";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do Hereby Declare October 14 – 20, 2018, as

KENTUCKY INFECTION PREVENTION WEEK



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 24th day of September, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eighteen and in the 227th year of the Commonwealth.


MATTHEW G. BEVIN
GOVERNOR


ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
SECRETARY OF STATE