Proclamation

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Andy Beshear Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Kentucky seeks to improve the lives of Kentuckians by promoting health, preventing illness, and protecting lives against harm whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, Antibiotics are a critical tool to fight against infectious bacterial diseases that affect people of all ages and walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Inappropriate use of antibiotics has resulted in the development of antibiotic resistance, which has threatened our ability to fight infectious diseases; and

WHEREAS, Antibiotic resistance is a major threat to health in the U.S., causing more than 2.8 million illnesses and more than 35,000 deaths each year; and

WHEREAS, Appropriate use of antibiotics is a key solution to address the threat of antibiotic resistance; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky Department for Public Health, in concert with U.S. Antibiotic Awareness Week and World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week, is promoting comprehensive education to improve public and healthcare professional awareness of the appropriate use of antibiotics to improve health and save lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim November 18-24, 2023, as

ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK

in Kentucky.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 23^{rd} day of October, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Three and in the 232^{nd} year of the Commonwealth.

ANDY BESHEAR GOVERNOR

Michael G. Adams Secretary of State