

***WHEREAS,** World Sight Day is an annual day dedicated to raising awareness about vision impairment, blindness, and the importance of screening;*

***WHEREAS,** on this day, organizations, communities, and individuals are encouraged to advocate for better eye health initiatives and policies;*

***WHEREAS,** at least 2.2 billion people have vision impairments, with 1 billion cases preventable or untreated;*

***WHEREAS,** an estimated 450 million children globally, need treatment for sight conditions but lack access to affordable eye care;*

***WHEREAS,** the World Health Organization (WHO) and the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) coordinate World Sight Day, focusing on children's eye health in 2024;*

***WHEREAS,** school nurses play a critical role in protecting and improving children's vision health;*

***WHEREAS,** _____ conducts vision screening to ensure early identification and treatment of vision disorders and vision impairment;*

***WHEREAS,** the Love Your Eyes global campaign aims to ensure affordable, accessible eye care for everyone by 2030, improving global eye health, preventing avoidable blindness, and creating sustainable eye care solutions for children;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I,** _____, Governor of the State of _____, do hereby proclaim October 10th, 2024, as*

WORLD SIGHT DAY

in the State of _____ and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

***GIVEN UNDER MY HAND** and the Great Seal of the Governor's Office at the State Capitol in the City of _____ on the _____ day of _____, _____.*

State Seal

Signature

Governor of (_____)