

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Scientific evidence indicates that the State of Oregon is at risk for much larger and potentially more damaging earthquakes and tsunamis; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon enacted laws in 1995 and 2001 that require schools, state and local agencies, and large private employers to instruct and drill students and employees on emergency procedures such as those related to earthquakes and tsunamis; and
- WHEREAS:** Seismic strengthening of existing buildings and public education on local tsunami evacuation is strongly encouraged to further reduce loss of life and property damage; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregon enacted laws in 2001 that require schools and emergency facilities to meet seismic life safety standards, and in 2002 enacted laws that will provide state bond funds to help mitigate high risk schools and emergency facilities; and
- WHEREAS:** Emergency management agencies will highlight these preparedness and mitigation procedures and provide increased earthquake and tsunami information to Oregon residents and visitors in April.

**NOW,
THEREFORE:** I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **April 2011** to be

EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI AWARENESS MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, March 21, 2011.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kitzhaber".

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kate Brown".

Kate Brown, Secretary of State