

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowerment (FORCE) is a nonprofit organization devoted to improving the lives of individuals and families affected by hereditary breast and ovarian cancer; and

WHEREAS, 2.3 million women in the U.S. may be at increased risk for breast and ovarian cancer because of their family history, and an estimated 750,000 people in the U.S. carry a BRCA genetic mutation that puts them at increased risk for these cancers; and

WHEREAS, 90 percent of people are unaware of their increased risk for hereditary cancer; and

WHEREAS, No one should have to face hereditary breast or ovarian cancer alone, FORCE is the voice of experience and provides support, education and awareness to help those facing hereditary breast and ovarian cancer know their health options and make informed decisions; and

WHEREAS, FORCE is also a voice of support and encouragement for previvors—individuals that are living with a heightened risk of cancer, but have not yet developed the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize September 23-30, 2012 as

**HEREDITARY BREAST AND OVARIAN
CANCER AWARENESS WEEK**

and September 26, 2012 as

PREVIVOR DAY

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to recognize and honor those who have been affected by hereditary breast and ovarian cancer, including women and men with BRCA mutations, anyone with a family history of cancer, survivors, and previvors.

On this 23rd day of September, 2012;



John R. Kasich
Governor

