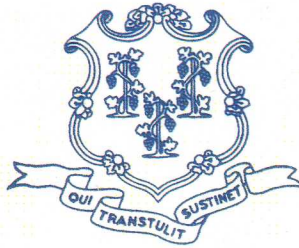


State of



Connecticut

By Her Excellency M. Jodi Rell, Governor: an

## Official Statement

WHEREAS, people of all ages in Connecticut and throughout the world have developed a condition known as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) as a result of global environmental pollution; and

WHEREAS, MCS is a painful chronic condition of hypersensitivity reactions to the environment for which there is no cure; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of MCS include acute reactions to chemicals, food and medication, as well as severe neurological problems, muscle and joint pain, memory, and respiratory difficulties; and

WHEREAS, MCS is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the U.S. Access Board, Social Security Administration, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, United States Environmental Protection Agency, and other state and national government agencies and commissions; and

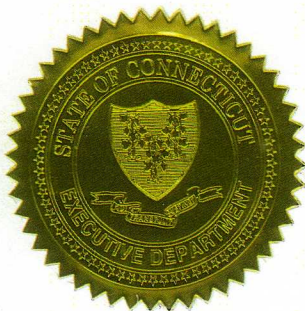
WHEREAS, the health of the general population is at risk from chemical exposures that can lead to this environmentally induced illness; and

WHEREAS, this illness may be preventable through the reduction or avoidance of chemicals in the air, water, and food in both indoor and outdoor environments and further scientific research to be conducted including genetics; and

WHEREAS, people with MCS need the support and understanding of family, friends, co-workers and society as they struggle with their illness and adapt to new life styles; now

THEREFORE, I, M. Jodi Rell, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim the month of May 2010 as

**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY (MCS) AWARENESS MONTH**  
in the State of Connecticut.



*M. Jodi Rell*  
Governor