



THE STATE OF TEXAS

GOVERNOR

 *To all to whom these presents shall come,
Greetings: Know ye that this official recognition is
presented to all observing:*

World TB Day

March 24, 2016

Tuberculosis, or TB, is an airborne bacterial disease that commonly attacks the lungs. Though the disease was once the leading cause of death in the United States, treatment options have become increasingly effective in preventing and curing the disease. Individuals with latent TB infection usually do not demonstrate any symptoms, do not feel sick, and cannot transmit the disease to others. However, they can later develop active TB disease, which can be treated and cured if they seek medical assistance.

In Texas, we know that it is not our challenges that define us, but rather how we rise above them. I commend you on your efforts to raise awareness of tuberculosis, support patients with the disease and honor our health care workers.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in wishing you the best.



In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at the City of Austin, this the 16th day of March, 2016.



Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas