

*State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
John H. Lynch, Governor*

A Proclamation

**METASTATIC CANCER AWARENESS DAY
OCTOBER 13, 2009**

WHEREAS, The American Breast Cancer Society estimates that in 2009 there will be 192,370 new cases of invasive breast cancer in women in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer is the most common cancer in women in the United States, aside from skin cancer, and it is estimated that 40,1070 women will die from the disease in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Metastatic breast cancer is the most advanced stage of breast cancer and occurs when cancer cells have spread to other areas of the body where they continue to grow and multiply; and

WHEREAS, New and effective treatments are continually being researched and made available to those living with breast cancer, many of whom continue to live long and successful lives; and

WHEREAS, Knowledge of the support, information and treatment available helps those living with the disease as well as friends and family through a challenging time; and

WHEREAS, This October marks the 25th Anniversary of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which each year promotes the awareness of breast cancer, shares information on the disease and helps provide greater access to screening services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN H. LYNCH, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **OCTOBER 13, 2009** as **METASTATIC CANCER AWARENESS DAY** in New Hampshire and encourage all citizens to increase their awareness of metastatic breast cancer and to support those living with the disease.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Concord, this 24th day of September, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and nine, and the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and thirty-four.




John H. Lynch
Governor