WHEREAS: It is of vital importance to ensure the health and well-being of the citizens of the state of Oregon where they live, work, learn, and play; and

WHEREAS: Environmental health hazards pose risks to the health and happiness of those persons who may be immune-compromised, the aged, and the young as well as to those who are healthy; and

WHEREAS: Environmental health specialists strive towards meeting preventive health goals for the public’s health; specifically, to reduce or eliminate environmental health risk factors that cause human suffering, disease or injuries through consultation, education, inspections, investigations and enforcement in the areas of food safety, public facilities, drinking water supply, sewage disposal, pest control, solid waste, air quality, toxics, bioterrorism, disaster response, communicable disease and more.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim April 28, 2014 to be

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST DAY

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, April 21, 2014.

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

Kate Brown, Secretary of State