

# STATE OF NEBRASKA



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,**

*Rett Syndrome is a neurodevelopmental disorder that primarily affects females. As it is present at birth, symptoms do not usually appear in children until the age of 6-18 months; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Rett Syndrome causes symptoms that are similar to cerebral palsy and autism, often resulting in misdiagnosis. Medications and therapeutic treatments can be beneficial to those with Rett Syndrome; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Rett Syndrome affects all ethnic and racial groups, occurring around the world with 1-in-10,000 births; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*While there is currently no cure for Rett Syndrome, there have been significant advances in diagnosis and in promising research.*

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

*I, Pete Ricketts, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of October, 2017 as*

### **RETT SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH**

*in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen.*



*Attest:*

*John A. Gase*  
Secretary of State

*Pete Ricketts*  
Governor