

STATE OF OREGON  
**PROCLAMATION**  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Information literacy provides the tools and skills to find, evaluate, and use credible information from all sources in our constantly evolving world; and
- WHEREAS:** Individuals who are comfortable working with the informational resources available in the digital world are able to seek highly skilled jobs and compete at high levels in the global economy; and
- WHEREAS:** Information literacy is a crucial part of education and, if taught as early as kindergarten, will expose students to analytic and research practices that will better prepare them for changing technologies; and
- WHEREAS:** The Oregon State Library, the Oregon Library Association, the Information Literacy Advisory Group of Oregon, the Oregon Writing and English Advisory Committee, and other Oregon educational organizations provide a wide variety of information literacy tools and services; and
- WHEREAS:** Through public awareness, the State of Oregon seeks to remind citizens, employers, government agencies, and institutions of the importance of information literacy for economic prosperity, social cohesion, educational opportunity, and an enhanced quality of life.
- NOW,**  
**THEREFORE:** I, John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **October 2012** to be

**INFORMATION LITERACY MONTH**

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, June 26, 2012.



*John A. Kitzhaber*  
John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

*Kate Brown*  
Kate Brown, Secretary of State