

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Public Health seeks to promote the health of the people of our state through the prevention and control of disease and injury; and,

WHEREAS, antimicrobial resistance is one of the most urgent threats to the public's health, causing more than 2.8 million infections and more than 35,000 deaths annually; and,

WHEREAS, antimicrobial stewardship is the effort to optimize how antibiotics are used; and,

WHEREAS, the appropriate use of antibiotics is a vital solution to address the threat of antimicrobial resistance; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Public Health is partnering with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and essential stakeholders to educate health professionals and the general public on antimicrobial resistance and appropriate antibiotic use;

**THEREFORE,** I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim November 18 - 24, 2023, as **Antibiotic Awareness Week** in Illinois.

In Witness Whereuf, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,

this <u>EIGHTH</u> day of <u>NOVEMBER</u>, in

the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and

<u>TWENTY-THREE</u>, and of the State of Illinois,

two hundred and <u>FIFTH</u>.

Alexi Giannoul SECRETARY OF STATE

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