



In the Name and by the Authority of

# THE STATE OF OHIO



*WHEREAS*, the State of Ohio, Ohio for Responsible Gambling, the Gambling Problem Network, and the National Council on Problem Gambling, have designated March 2020 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month; and

*WHEREAS*, problem gambling is a public health issue affecting up to 90,000 Ohio adults of all ages, races and ethnic backgrounds; and

*WHEREAS*, problem gambling has a significant societal and economic cost for individuals, families, businesses and communities; and

*WHEREAS*, problem gambling can be prevented and should be addressed for youth through adults; and

*WHEREAS*, problem gambling is treatable, and treatment is effective in minimizing this harm to both individuals and society as a whole; and

*WHEREAS*, numerous individuals, professionals and organizations have dedicated their efforts to the education of the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment; and

*WHEREAS*, the State of Ohio, Ohio for Responsible Gambling, the Problem Gambling Network of Ohio, and the National Council on Problem Gambling invite all residents of Ohio to participate in Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

*NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize March 2020 as*

## PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS MONTH

on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 2020

Mike DeWine  
Governor



Jon Husted  
Lieutenant Governor