
Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Awareness Week

Whereas, People of all ages have developed the condition known as multiple chemical sensitivity, often following either single massive chemical exposure or repeated low-level exposures to chemicals in the environment; and,

Whereas, Individuals who suffer from multiple chemical sensitivity frequently also experience one or more of the overlapping conditions known as Chronic Fatigue/Immune Deficiency Syndrome, fibromyalgia, or Gulf War Syndrome; and,

Whereas, Multiple chemical sensitivity, a chronic condition for which there is neither a proven treatment or cure, typically affects several major organ systems with multiple symptoms that can include difficulty breathing, sleeping, concentrating, memory loss, migraines, nausea, abdominal pain, chronic fatigue, aching joints and muscles, disorders of the skin, and sensory dysfunctions; and,

Whereas, People with multiple chemical sensitivity often have profound problems with health, finances, employment, housing, public access, and personal relationships; and,

Whereas, Multiple chemical sensitivity is recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Social Security Administration, the U.S. Department of Housing, the Environmental Protection Agency, and other state and federal government agencies and commissions; and now therefore be it,

Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby proclaim the week of May 11, 2008, as Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Awareness Week in Michigan.