

Proclamation

by

Steven L. Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Prosthodontics, an American Dental Association recognized specialty, encompasses diagnosing, treatment planning, restoring and replacing the natural teeth to rehabilitate and maintain the function, comfort, appearance and health of patients; and
- WHEREAS, Tooth loss can be caused by decay, gum disease, traumatic injury, cancer or wear. losing teeth places stress on the mouth's structures and shape, causing the bone to shrink, possibly changing a person's facial appearance; and
- WHEREAS, Prosthodontists undergo three years of additional training after dental school in the prevention and treatment of tooth loss; and
- WHEREAS, Prosthodontists have a highly skilled understanding of the dynamics of a smile, the preservation of a healthy mouth and the creation of tooth replacements; and
- WHEREAS, Prosthodontists also maintain a strong commitment to the dental health care needs of older patients, individuals with congenital anomalies, and those who have been affected by oral cancer, with many providing pro bono care to their local communities; and
- WHEREAS, Prosthodontists are represented by the American College of Prosthodontists, an educational and scientific association founded in 1970 to represent the needs and interests of prosthodontists within organized dentistry, and to the public, by providing a means for stimulating awareness and interest in the field of prosthodontics; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim March 7-13, 2010, as

PROSTHODONTICS AWARENESS WEEK

in Kentucky.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 21st day of January, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten and in the 218th year of the Commonwealth.

Handwritten signature of Steven L. Beshear in black ink.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Trey Grayson in black ink.

Trey Grayson
Secretary of State