**WHEREAS**: penicillin is the most commonly reported drug allergy with 10% of all US patients reporting having an allergic reaction to a penicillin-class antibiotic in their past1; and

**WHEREAS**: penicillin allergy history is often inaccurate, with research showing that 9 out of 10 patients reporting as penicillin allergic are not truly allergic to penicillin1; and

**WHEREAS**: Carrying an inaccurate diagnosis of penicillin "allergy" could adversely affect the quantity and quality of healthcare used2 and result in a threefold increased risk of adverse events (ADE)3; and

**WHEREAS**: these adverse events occur because penicillin “allergic” patients are given more broad spectrum antibiotics2, which contributes to the public health problem of antibiotic resistance4; and

**WHEREAS**: National Penicillin Allergy Day is being organized to raise awareness of false penicillin allergy and encourage the de-labeling of patients erroneously labeled as penicillin-allergic by promoting penicillin allergy skin testing.

**NOW,**

**THEREFORE**: I, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **September 28, 2018** to be

**NATIONAL PENICILLIN ALLERGY DAY**

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, [we will add this date.]

[We will add the Signature of Governor]

[We will add the Signature of Secretary of State]