



In the Name and by the Authority of

# THE STATE OF OHIO



**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio seeks to advance the health and well-being of all Ohioans by transforming the state's public health system through unique partnerships and funding streams; address the community conditions and inequities that lead to disparities in health outcomes; and implement data-driven, evidence-based solutions; and

**WHEREAS**, the discovery and subsequent use of antibiotics revolutionized medical care and public health by significantly reducing illness and death from infectious diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, antibiotic resistance has become one of the key threats to health in the United States, threatening the ability of healthcare providers to fight infectious diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 2.8 million people become ill each year with antibiotic-resistant infections and at least 35,000 die as a result; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 99,120 Ohioans or more become ill each year with antibiotic-resistant infections and at least 1,239 Ohioans die as a result; and

**WHEREAS**, appropriate use of antibiotics is the primary solution to address the threat of antibiotic resistance; and

**WHEREAS**, education about appropriate antibiotic use and changed attitudes and behaviors of healthcare workers and the general public alike will contribute to appropriate antibiotic prescribing and use;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, *We Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio*, do hereby recognize November 18-24, 2021 as

## ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK

on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021.

Mike DeWine  
Governor



Jon Husted  
Lieutenant Governor