

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

PROCLAMATION

Executive Order

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** there are currently more than 3,635 doctors of osteopathic medicine (DOs) and 598 osteopathic medical students in Indiana; and
- WHEREAS,** DOs have treated US presidents, athletes, contributed to the fight against disease, and served on national healthcare panels; and
- WHEREAS,** DOs are fully licensed to practice medicine in all specialty areas of medicine, including surgery, and
- WHEREAS,** today, there are 38 accredited osteopathic medical schools at 62 locations in 35 states, including one in Indiana: Marian University; and
- WHEREAS,** osteopathic physicians are trained to incorporate osteopathic manipulative treatment (OMT) into the care they provide, by using their hands to diagnose, treat and prevent illness/injury and encourage one's body to heal itself. By combining other appropriate medical options with OMT and a holistic approach to diagnosing and treating a patient, osteopathic physicians offer the most comprehensive medical care available today; and
- WHEREAS,** osteopathic physicians are one of the fastest growing health care professions in the United States, with many osteopathic physicians filling a critical need by practicing in rural and medical underserved areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim the week of April 17-23, 2023 as

OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 17th
day of April the year of our
Lord 2023 and of the Independence
of the United States 247.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

ERIC HOLCOMB