ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN
I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim
October 8-12, 2018

HEALTH IT WEEK IN MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, Michigan's statewide health information network is connecting more than 150 hospitals, 4,700 practices, 40,500 organizations, and almost 140,000 healthcare professionals—truly uniting Michigan's healthcare community like never before; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize the importance of the exchange of health information, and its positive and growing influence for securing the healthcare goals of patients and healthcare providers; and,

WHEREAS, we share in the achievement of Michigan's multiple healthcare stakeholders who have worked together to make our state a national leader in the electronic exchange of health information; and,

WHEREAS, we thank the Michigan healthcare leaders, health information technology experts and providers who helped shape the critical statewide infrastructure that is helping improve patient care; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan health information technology community are seeking solutions to aid in the opioid epidemic and finding ways to spot new diseases and outbreaks before they impact an entire region; and,

WHEREAS, health information technology empowers Michigan patients to use available technology to take ownership of their own healthcare, which includes viewing their doctors, tests and test results, immunization records, and providing consent for sharing information;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim October 8-12, 2018 as Health IT Week in Michigan.

Rick Snyder
Governor