

*State of New Hampshire*  
*By His Excellency*  
*John Lynch, Governor*

*A Proclamation*

**STEVENS JOHNSON SYNDROME MONTH**  
**AUGUST 2007**

**WHEREAS**, Stevens Johnson Syndrome is a severe, adverse reaction to medication, which was first discovered in 1922 by two pediatricians A.M. Stevens and S.C. Johnson; and

**WHEREAS**, Almost any medication including over-the-counter drugs, anti-convulsants, antibiotics and anti-inflammatory medications can cause Stevens Johnson Syndrome; and

**WHEREAS**, Stevens Johnson Syndrome affects people of all ages, but a large part of its victims are children; and

**WHEREAS**, The Stevens Johnson Syndrome Foundation is working to lessen the current average of five reported cases per day by promoting the early recognition of symptoms and medical care to reduce long-term effects; and

**WHEREAS**, The Stevens Johnson Syndrome Foundation is working to promote public awareness of the disease and to educate pharmaceutical companies, the medical community, hospitals and the public about this disease;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN LYNCH, GOVERNOR** of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **August 2007** as **Stevens Johnson Syndrome Month** in the State of New Hampshire.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Concord, this 1st day of August, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and seven, and the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and thirty-two.



*John Lynch*