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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Minority Health Month is an inclusive initiative that addresses the health needs of racial and ethnic minorities, including African-Americans, Hispanics, Latinos, Asians, Native Americans and other minority groups, with the aim of strengthening the capacities of local communities to eliminate the disproportionate burden of premature death and preventable illnesses through prevention, early detection and control of disease complications; and

WHEREAS, this year commemorates 30 years of progressively working to eliminate health disparities and advance health equity through legislation, policy and programs; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate National Minority Health Month 2015 with the theme "30 Years of Advancing Health Equity; The Heckler Report: A Force for Ending Health Disparities in America," and reflect on our collective efforts to accelerate the momentum toward achieving a nation free of disparities in health; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Health Equity Council for Region II (RHEC II), an initiative of the Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health's National Partnership for Action to End Health Disparities, has joined forces with local stakeholders to raise awareness and call all citizens to take action to end health disparities in New Brunswick; and

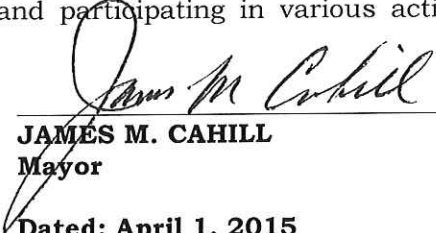
WHEREAS, other community stakeholder groups and individuals are identifying health inequities and their root causes, promoting equitable opportunities to be healthy through wellness, providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services, hosting activities and events to raise awareness and advancing health equity legislation, policies and programs; and

WHEREAS, despite improvements in health and health care and our progress toward achieving health equity, significant disparities and inequities in opportunities to be healthy persist for some citizens of New Brunswick. There is still work to be done.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES M. CAHILL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK, do hereby proclaim April 2015 as

MINORITY HEALTH MONTH

in the City of New Brunswick and invite all New Brunswick residents to take action toward ending health disparities by becoming involved and participating in various activities and events to raise awareness throughout the month.



JAMES M. CAHILL
Mayor

Dated: April 1, 2015

