



- WHEREAS, *medical billers play an integral part in the healthcare industry and provide much needed services to doctors and other healthcare providers; and*
- WHEREAS, *healthcare providers increasingly rely on billing companies to assist them in processing claims in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations. Additionally, providers also consult with billing companies for advice on reimbursement matters, as well as overall business decision-making; and*
- WHEREAS, *medical billers can offer expertise in program reimbursement requirements, help ensure that claims are accurately prepared, and free physicians and other practitioners to devote their full energies to the care of their patients, and*
- WHEREAS, *medical billers strive to provide the highest possible level of ethical and lawful conduct throughout the entire healthcare industry; and*
- WHEREAS, *medical billers continue to influence the billing process in a positive and credible manner;*

THEREFORE, I, Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2009 as NATIONAL MEDICAL BILLER'S DAY in Illinois in recognition of the important role medical billers play in the healthcare system.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Springfield,
this FOURTEENTH *day of* NOVEMBER, *in*
the Year of Our Lord two thousand and
EIGHT, *and of the State of Illinois*
the one hundred and NINETIETH

Debra White
SECRETARY OF STATE

Rod R. Blagojevich
GOVERNOR