**SAMPLE PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL ATHLETIC TRAINING MONTH**

Whereas, athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity based on specific tasks, knowledge and skills acquired through their nationally regulated educational processes; and,

Whereas, athletic trainers impact health care through action, provide:

* Prevention of injuries
* Recognition, evaluation and treatment
* Rehabilitation
* Health care administration
* Education and guidance

Whereas, the National Athletic Trainers' Association represents and supports 45,000 members of the athletic training profession employed in many settings including:

* Professional sports
* Colleges and universities
* High schools
* Clinics and hospitals
* Corporate and industrial settings
* Performing arts
* Military branches; and

Whereas, leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have joined together in a common desire to raise public awareness of the importance of the athletic training profession and to emphasize the importance of quality health care within the aforementioned settings; and

Whereas, such an effort will improve health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity and promote athletic trainers as health professionals;  
  
NOW, THEREFORE, I (name) the (title) of (city/state) do hereby proclaim the month of March as National Athletic Training Month in (insert city/county or state here). I urge all people of (city/county/state) to learn more about the importance of athletic training.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Mayor/Governor/local elected official)