WHEREAS, Each year, more than four million workers suffer from serious job-related injuries or illnesses and over 5,000 Americans die from work-related incidents; and thousands more are permanently disabled and even more are injured or made ill; and

WHEREAS, Concerned Americans are determined to prevent these tragedies by: a proactive safety and health program preventing workplace injuries and illness, improving compliance with laws and regulations, reducing costs, engaging workers, enhancing social responsibility goals, increasing productivity and enhancing overall business operations; and

WHEREAS, The Safe and Sound Week campaign hosted by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Omaha Area Office recommend practices for responsible business owners that are actively managing safety in the workplace found at: https://www.osha.gov/safeandsoundweek/; and

WHEREAS, On August 12-18, 2019, OSHA (Omaha Area Office), Nebraska Safety Council and United Support & Memorial for Workplace Fatalities (USMWF Org. Inc.) invites all to participate in Safe and Sound Week through raising awareness and understanding the value of safety and health programs that include management leadership, worker participation, and a systematic approach to finding and fixing hazards in workplaces.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pete Ricketts, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of August 12 – 18, 2019 as SAFE AND SOUND WEEK in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this Seventh day of August, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen.