

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Labor, Division of Industrial Safety and Health, has Safety and Health Consultants throughout the state of Kansas who are committed to saving lives every day and provide training and education to workers to identify hazards, for management to follow-up on the hazards identified and for company safety committees and employees to participate in problem solving and implementation of corrective actions; and

WHEREAS, the core elements of an effective safety and health program are management leadership; worker participation, and finding and fixing workplace hazards; and

WHEREAS, a successful safety program depends on identifying hazards early, evaluating the risk and removing or controlling hazards before they can do harm; and

WHEREAS, accidents and injuries in the workplace are preventable and employees must be engaged, educated and aware of unsafe conditions and unsafe behaviors; and

WHEREAS, hazards that are left unattended because they produced no injury today can lead to serious or fatal injuries in the future; and

WHEREAS, first-level supervisors and employees are the critical link to identifying hazards and maintaining a safe workplace and all employees can get actively involved through hazard identification and reporting; and

WHEREAS, all employees play a role in keeping each other safe while protecting themselves, coworkers and property; and

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas encourages all employers and workers to contribute to this safety initiative and help make the State of Kansas a safe and healthy place to work:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby recognize June 12-18, 2017, as

Safe+Sound Week

in Kansas and urge all citizens to join in this recognition.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 24th day of May, A.D. 2017

BY THE GOVERNOR:

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Assistant Secretary of State