

## TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

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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

WHEREAS, the Safety and Health Consultants provide training and education for 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.

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

WHEREAS, 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, LAURA KELLY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim the week of August 12-18, 2019 as

## Safe and Sound Week

In Kansas and encourage all citizens to participate in the observance.



DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, A.D. 2019

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State Assistant Secretary of State