



Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, general aviation and community airports play a critical role in the lives of our citizens, as well as in the operation of our businesses and farms; and

WHEREAS, the state of Missouri has a significant interest in the continued vitality of general aviation, aerospace, aircraft manufacturing, educational institutions and aviation organizations and community airports and airport operators; and

WHEREAS, the state of Missouri boasts 123 public-use general aviation airports, serving 9,284 pilots and 3,847 general aviation aircraft; and is home to 31 charter flight companies, 54 airport repair stations, one fractional provider, and 8 flight schools operating 86 aircraft and providing 193 jobs. In addition, there are 82 fixed-based operators in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Transportation found that general aviation generates \$857 million in economic activity annually; and many communities in Missouri depend heavily on general aviation and community airports for the continued flow of commerce, tourists and visitors to our State; and

WHEREAS, according to a 2013 Missouri Statewide Airports Economic Impact Study, general aviation supports 7,449 jobs statewide. Overall, Missouri's airport system supports 100,621 jobs with an annual payroll of \$3.1 billion; and

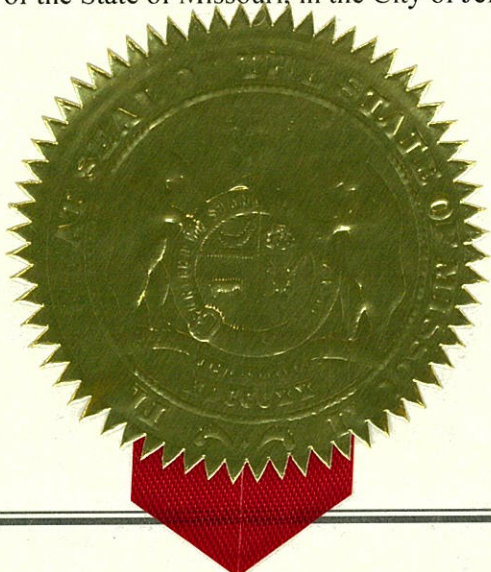
WHEREAS, general aviation plays a vital role in the State's response to emergencies and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, organizations like the Missouri Airport Managers Association, Missouri Pilots Association, National Business Aviation Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Aircraft Electronics Association, Alliance for Aviation Across America, and National Air Transportation Association recognize and promote the interests and importance of aviation in Missouri and throughout the world.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 2017 to be

GENERAL AVIATION APPRECIATION MONTH

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 31st day of March, 2017.



Eric R. Greitens
Governor

Attest:

Secretary of State



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WHEREAS, children are the foundation for a prosperous and innovative society, and the foundation for a child's growth and development is established when every community and Missourian takes responsibility for creating healthy environments where our children can thrive; and

WHEREAS, Missouri supports the Strengthening Families Protective Factors that reduce child abuse and neglect through encouraging Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development, Parental Resilience, Social Connections, Concrete Supports for Parents, and Social and Emotional Competence of Children; and

WHEREAS, a child's early experience of being nurtured and developing a bond with a consistent, caring adult affects all aspects of behavior and development and is associated later in life with better academic grades, healthier choices, positive peer interactions, and an increased ability to cope with stress; and

WHEREAS, Missouri recognizes the responsibility of every adult to protect children from all forms of child abuse, including child sexual abuse, and recognizes the importance for all adults, youth-serving organizations, schools and communities to form protective barriers around children; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs are essential and succeed because of community partnerships created among citizens, social service agencies, schools, businesses, law enforcement agencies, faith-based organizations, civic organizations and other child-serving agencies; and

WHEREAS, April 7, 2017 is Go Blue Day, a day when everyone is encouraged to wear blue to build awareness about child abuse and neglect prevention and inspire change by focusing on community activities and public policies that prioritize prevention.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 2017 to be

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION MONTH

in Missouri, and urge all citizens to actively participate in the care, well-being and protection of our children.

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WHEREAS, airmen selflessly dedicate and risk their lives to serve their nation; and

WHEREAS, the concept of a wingman stems from a time-honored tradition within the United States Air Force flying community, that says a wingman will protect the lead pilot by dutifully “watching his or her back” at all costs; and

WHEREAS, the wingman concept was first demonstrated en masse by the Doolittle Raiders, who, on April 18th, 1942, unhesitatingly followed Lieutenant Colonel Doolittle on a “one-way” attack on the Japanese mainland to boost American morale during World War II; and

WHEREAS, the wingman concept is reinforced by the United States Air Force Airman’s Creed, “I am an American Airman. Wingman, Leader, Warrior. I will never leave an Airman behind, I will never falter, and I will not fail”; and

WHEREAS, wingmen hold one another accountable to the highest levels of integrity, excellence, and service before self, and Airmen, past, present, and future can commit to the Wingman concept of looking out for the men and women serving next to them; and

WHEREAS, selfless acts of wingmanship uphold the core values of the United States Air Force, foster a more cooperative and safer military environment, and encourage mutual respect and accountability to Airmen across the state of Missouri and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the first Air Force ROTC Detachment in Missouri was established in 1946 at the University of Missouri, one cadet from each class at the University of Missouri Air Force ROTC Detachment 440, as well as one Airman from the state of Missouri, will be recognized annually for his or her acts of wingmanship.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 23-29, 2017, to be

WINGMAN WEEK IN MISSOURI

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WHEREAS, the state park system was established by the Missouri legislature on April 9, 1917 with the creation of the state park fund; and

WHEREAS, the first property, the historic Arrow Rock Tavern, was acquired in 1923 followed by the first state parks tracks in 1924; and

WHEREAS, in the 1930s, the park system went through its most significant period of change and development thanks to the efforts of the Civilian Conservation Corps and Works Progress Administration; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources was created and assumed oversight of Missouri State Parks; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Missouri voters first authorized the Parks, Soils and Water Sales Tax to be used for state parks and soil and water conservation efforts, which has since been reapproved by voters four times; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, the park system has benefitted from citizen support, dedicated volunteers and hardworking staff; and

WHEREAS, the park system, which today includes 91 state parks and historic sites, preserves and interprets the state's outstanding cultural and natural resources while also providing recreation appropriate for those resources; and

WHEREAS, on multiple occasions, Missouri State Parks has been ranked as one of the top four in the country and consistently received a 97 percent approval rating from guests; and

WHEREAS, the park system is celebrating its centennial year in 2017 with special events and promotions; and

WHEREAS, the state's outdoor resources improve our economy and quality of life, making Missouri a healthier and happier place for everyone; and

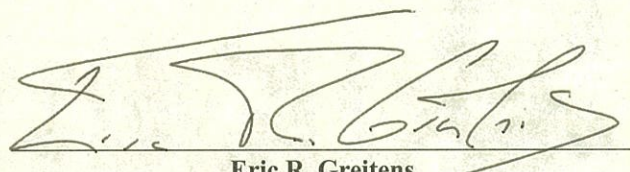
NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, Governor of the State of Missouri, do hereby recognize the

100th ANNIVERSARY OF MISSOURI STATE PARKS

and urge residents of Missouri to visit a state park or historic site during the month of April in honor of the system's 100th year.

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WHEREAS, the state of Missouri continues to make advances in protecting the rights of sexual assault victims, yet nearly one in five women is raped in her lifetime, and one in 71 men is raped in his lifetime; and

WHEREAS, sexual violence is not confined to any specific group of people, but it affects people of all races, backgrounds, economic levels, education levels, family structures, ages and religions; and

WHEREAS, the crime of rape violates individuals' privacy, dignity, security and humanity in the form of non-consensual acts of a sexual nature; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, nearly 6,100 hotline calls were answered by Missouri rape crisis centers; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Missouri rape crisis centers provided non-residential services such as advocacy and support to more than 4,700 male and female adults who were new to their program and ongoing non-residential services to approximately 14,000 male and female adults; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, approximately 1,600 secondary victims such as a parent, friend, or partner of a survivor of sexual assault who was impacted by the survivor's violence received services from Missouri rape crisis centers, such as crisis intervention or offering them resources to assist the survivor; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Missouri law expanded to require universities and colleges to develop detailed Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with local law enforcement agencies on responses to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking (173.2050 RSMo); and

WHEREAS, advocates, professionals, volunteers and community members concerned with rape will devote the month of April to raising awareness about the causes, interventions and prevention of this devastating crime.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 2017 to be

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

in Missouri, and reaffirm Missouri's commitment to ending sexual violence in our state.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 31st day of March, 2017.



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Eric R. Greitens
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Secretary of State



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WHEREAS, the Governor's Organ Donation Advisory Committee, Midwest Transplant Network, Mid-America Transplant Services, Saving Sight, Gift of Life, Missouri Kidney Program, the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Department of Revenue jointly with many volunteers are dedicated to promoting public awareness and increasing the number of organ, eye and tissue donors in Missouri; and

WHEREAS, National Donate Life Month was established in 2003 to remind people across the United States each April to make a special effort to honor the generosity of those who have saved and enhanced lives by becoming organ, eye and tissue donors; and

WHEREAS, nationally more than 120,000 people are in need of an organ transplant and in Missouri, more than 1,500 are awaiting life-saving transplants; and

WHEREAS, on average, every 10 minutes a new name is added to the national waiting list and on average, 22 people die per day waiting for a transplant; and

WHEREAS, last fiscal year, 235 Missourians were deceased organ donors, 1,624 were deceased eye/cornea donors, 1,282 were deceased tissue donors, 83 were living donors and 587 Missourians received life-saving transplants; and

WHEREAS, by October 2016, more than 3,575,440 Missourians had placed their names in the Missouri Donor Registry, thereby registering their decision to save and enhance lives through organ, eye and tissue donation; and

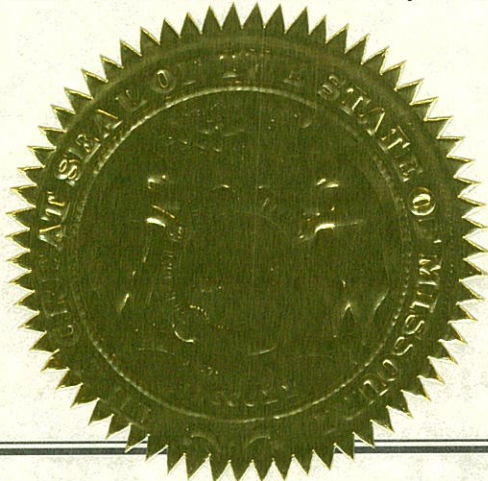
WHEREAS, by adding their names to the Missouri donor registry, Missourians value the gifts of life, sight and healing as truly the most generous and honorable gifts one person can share with another.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 2017 to be

DONATE LIFE MONTH IN MISSOURI

and commend the strong collaboration of partners working to register donors to save and enhance lives; honor those Missourians who have made the decision to donate life; and renew the call for Missourians to register as organ, eye and tissue donors.

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WHEREAS, Missouri workers build our roads, schools, and hospitals; provide food for our families; create goods; and provide services for people around the world. Their work improves our families, communities, and our great state; and

WHEREAS, it is unacceptable for a mother, father, sister, brother, or child to go to work and not return home. Tragically, Missourians lose their lives each year on the job, while others suffer injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, we gather here today to honor the memory of Missouri's fallen workforce and rededicate efforts to improve safety and health in every workplace in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) shall continue its commitment to workplace safety to reduce the number of workplace fatalities, accidents, and illnesses.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2017, to be

WORKERS' MEMORIAL DAY

in Missouri, to recognize the workers injured, disabled, or who lost their lives on the job.

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WHEREAS, auctioneering is one of history's oldest professions; and

WHEREAS, auctions are strong advocates and champions of the competitive free enterprise system; and

WHEREAS, auctions continue to be an effective means of establishing fair market value; and

WHEREAS, the auction industry today contributes approximately a quarter-trillion dollars in sales each year to the United States economy; and

WHEREAS, auctioneers create a competitive marketplace and connect buyers with sellers wishing to sell their assets for the highest dollar value; and

WHEREAS, the National Auctioneers Association and its members strive to advance the auction method of marketing and uphold the highest standards of professionalism in serving the American public; and

WHEREAS, auctioneers are proud business owners who support their communities; and

WHEREAS, a National Auctioneers Day has been observed for more than 25 years by state and local governments and private organizations; and

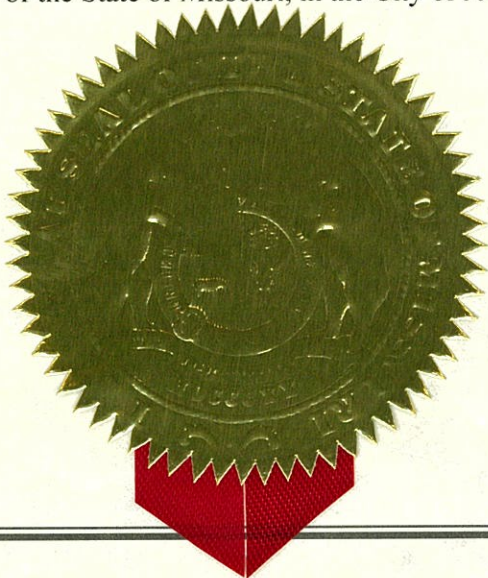
WHEREAS, the designation of National Auctioneers Day by the State of Missouri will heighten the awareness of the contributions made by auctions and auctioneers to the history of our Nation and its economy.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 15, 2017, to be

MISSOURI AUCTIONEERS DAY

and call upon the community and partner organizations to celebrate with appropriate ceremonies to acknowledge these efforts.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 31st day of March, 2017.



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WHEREAS, the profession of lineworker is steeped in personal, family, and professional tradition; and

WHEREAS, lineworkers are often first responders during storms and other catastrophic events, working to make the scene safe for other public safety heroes; and

WHEREAS, lineworkers work with thousands of volts of electricity high atop power lines 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to keep electricity flowing; and

WHEREAS, lineworkers often work under dangerous conditions far from their families to construct and maintain the energy infrastructure of this state; and

WHEREAS, lineworkers put their lives on the line every day, with little recognition from the community, regarding the danger of their work.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 10, 2017, to be

MISSOURI LINeworker APPRECIATION DAY

in support of the contributions of the brave men and women who keep the power on and protecting public safety.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 31st day of March, 2017.



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WHEREAS, the state of Missouri is blessed with abundant and diverse natural and cultural resources, like few other states in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources has dedicated itself to protecting our air, land and water; preserving our unique natural and historic places; and providing recreational and learning opportunities for everyone; and

WHEREAS, all Missourians want clean air, clean water, and clean land and, therefore, share a common goal of protecting and conserving our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day inspires youth to spend time outdoors, appreciate our natural resources, and pursue careers in earth science and related fields; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day 2017 marks the department's 23th observance of Earth Day at the state capitol and the 47th observance nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day gives Missourians an opportunity to plan for and become excited about the first total solar eclipse to pass over our state in 148 years on August 21, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Missouri Earth Day celebration theme is "Total Solar Eclipse of 2017" and Layla Hayes, a student at Blackburn Elementary School in Independence, wrote the winning slogan "When the sun doesn't shine, the moon is in line!"

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 21, 2017, to be

EARTH DAY 2017

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 31st day of March, 2017.



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WHEREAS, the ACH Network, administered by NACHA—The Electronic Payments Association and supported by financial institutions across the country, facilitates direct deposit and direct payment via ACH transactions. Annually, the ACH Network transfers almost 23 billion direct deposits and direct payments, totaling more than \$40 trillion; and

WHEREAS, a direct deposit is the deposit of funds for payroll, employee expense reimbursement, government benefits, tax and other refunds, annuities and interest payments. Direct payment transactions can include bill payments, person-to-person payments, business-to-business payments, and online and mobile purchases; and

WHEREAS, direct deposit and direct payment are an easy, safe, convenient, cost-effective and environmentally friendly way to make and receive payments. Use of direct deposit and direct payment enables consumers and businesses alike to save costs, save time and protect the environment by eliminating the time, hassle and expense of writing and cashing paper checks and making trips to the bank or credit union.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim May 2017 to be

DIRECT DEPOSIT AND DIRECT PAYMENT MONTH IN MISSOURI

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 31st day of March, 2017.



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