



*State of Missouri*

*Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the production, processing and distribution of dairy products creates over 22,250 jobs for Missourians; and

**WHEREAS**, the value of Missouri's milk production is more than \$247 million; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri's dairy industry generates \$2.2 billion in value-added contribution to the state's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, dairy products are a source of calcium, protein, and other nutrients that are essential to a healthy diet; and

**WHEREAS**, organizations such as Missouri Dairy, Midwest Dairy Association, Southwest Dairy Farmers, St. Louis District Dairy Council, and the Missouri Dairy Products Association work to educate key leaders, students, and consumers about the benefits of dairy products and advance the dairy industry in Missouri.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim June 2023, to be

**DAIRY MONTH**

in Missouri, and encourage all residents to recognize dairy producers and the dairy industry for their contributions to the nutritional well-being of all people.

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 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE