



*State of Missouri*  
*Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, October 2023 marks the seventy-eighth anniversary of National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of National Disability Employment Awareness Month is to educate about disability employment issues and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, National Disability Employment Awareness Month recognizes the importance of ensuring people with disabilities have equal opportunity to prepare for and succeed in employment; and

**WHEREAS**, workplaces welcoming of the talents of all people, including people with disabilities, are a critical part of our efforts to build an inclusive community and strong economy; and

**WHEREAS**, activities during this month will reinforce the value and talent people with disabilities add to our workplaces and communities and affirm the State of Missouri's commitment to an inclusive community that increases access and opportunities to all, including individuals with disabilities.

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

**NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE