



*State of Missouri*

## *Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, energy serves as the bedrock of our way of life, shows up at the flip of a switch or the turn of a dial to do the work of the people of Missouri, and weaves in and out of every life – invisible to most but essential to all; and

**WHEREAS**, energy generates commerce and fuels economic growth, supplies the simple things in life – heating, cooling, cooking, lighting; supports modern society's complex systems – patient care, air traffic control, running a business or even a state; and makes possible the fun things in life – lights at the baseball field, air conditioning at the theater, and rides at the state fair; and

**WHEREAS**, energy provides careers to tens of thousands of residents who serve in every community and these careers range from lineworker to engineer, construction specialist to accountant, chemist to environmentalist, and maintenance laborer to executive, all valued, and all essential; and

**WHEREAS**, to assure continuity and meet the challenges of our growing economy, new workers are needed to maintain a skilled workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, through strategic partnerships the newly formed Missouri Energy Workforce Consortium strives to promote a unified and results-oriented effort to ensure people find new and rewarding careers in energy so that Missouri can continue to grow in prosperity.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim October 16-20, 2023, to be

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in Missouri, and encourage all citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the career and technical education programs in our state and to support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual work skills and productivity.

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 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY OF STATE