



*State of Missouri*

## *Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, 703,000 Americans died from major cardiovascular diseases in 2022, which is 1 in 5 deaths in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, in Missouri, cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death and claims nearly 15,500 lives each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the University of Missouri is home to three centers for cardiovascular research: the Dalton Cardiovascular Research Center, the School of Medicine, and the College of Veterinary Medicine; and

**WHEREAS**, scientists from the University of Missouri are renowned in such areas as the effects of exercise on the heart, hypertension, and heart failure, and these scientists are committed to the pursuit of further medical advances in the fight against cardiovascular disease; and

**WHEREAS**, these scientists gather each year in Columbia to share their work with fellow scientists in an event hosted by the University of Missouri, thereby bringing further scientific and medical advances closer to reality.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim March 5, 2024, to be

### **CARDIOVASCULAR DAY**

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 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2024.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY OF STATE