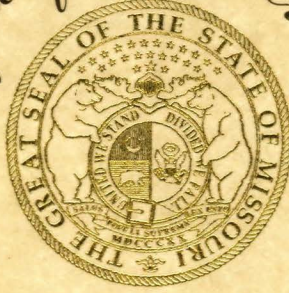


Office of the Governor



State of Missouri

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Missourians are united in their desire to reduce crime and build safer communities across our State through collaborative efforts among law enforcement, neighborhood watches, crime victims' support groups, and community and faith-based organizations; and

WHEREAS, Missouri is committed to protecting the rights of all crime victims regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, physical or mental abilities, religion, or economic or social status; and

WHEREAS, Missouri appreciates the brave and determined crime victims, survivors and victim service organizations who continue their efforts to expand the protections and rights of all crime victims; and

WHEREAS, this year's National Crime Victims' Rights Week theme, "How Would You Help?" asks all individuals, including friends, family members, neighbors, community leaders, victim service providers, criminal justice practitioners, and health professionals, to consider how they can help crime victims; and

WHEREAS, Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 21-27, 2024, provides Missourians with the opportunity to recommit to ensuring justice for all crime victims, along with their appreciation for the strength and resilience of victims and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim April 21-27, 2024, to be

CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

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 22nd day of March, 2024.



Michael L. Parson

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Jay Ashcroft
SECRETARY OF STATE