STATE OF MISSOURI

Proclamation

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, agriculture is Missouri's top economic driver, providing $121 billion in value to the state's economy annually; and

WHEREAS, Missouri is a national leader in poultry production, ranking seventh among all states in turkey production with 14.7 million head of turkeys, resulting in 343 million pounds, valued at $298.5 million; and

WHEREAS, the positive impact of the turkey industry on Missouri's economy provides $5.25 billion in economic activity and supports 15,340 jobs; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's turkey producers continue to support research to advance the quality of turkey and to advance the use of best practices resulting in a nutritious, quality product for today's consumers; and

WHEREAS, turkey is a year-round grocery staple for Missouri families and the centerpiece of many Missouri holiday tables.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim November 22 – 28, 2026, to be

TURKEY 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 24th day of November 2026.