



State of Missouri

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri was founded in 1898 by the Missouri Press Association as a private corporation to preserve Missouri history; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri was initially located in Academic Hall (now known as Jesse Hall) on the campus of the University of Missouri in Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri was charged by the Fortieth General Assembly in 1899 with serving as a trustee for the State of Missouri to preserve historical records; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri's first state appropriation was authorized by the Forty-first General Assembly in 1901, and it has received state appropriations since that time; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri continues to collect and preserve Missouri's history and has produced a quarterly journal titled *Missouri Historical Review* since 1906; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri moved into the University of Missouri Library (now known as Ellis Library) on the campus of the University when that building was first occupied in 1915; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri has become the premier center for the study of Missouri state and local history; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri was the beneficiary of legislative action in 2015 that resulted in the approval of a \$35 million bond issue to build its new headquarters in Columbia, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri broke ground on April 19, 2017, for its new Center for Missouri Studies in Columbia, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri's Center for Missouri Studies has been completed and is now occupied; and

WHEREAS, the State Historical Society of Missouri is celebrating the completion and occupancy of the Center for Missouri Studies on August 10, 2019, the 198th anniversary of Missouri statehood.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim August 10, 2019, to be

THE CENTER FOR MISSOURI STUDIES DAY

FURTHERMORE, I encourage this day to be celebrated and remembered by all Missourians going forward.

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 31st day of July, 2019.



Michael L. Parson
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE