

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, every year more than 5,000 people die from job-related injuries and tens of thousands of others die from occupational disease; and

Whereas, every day of the year millions of people go to and return home safe from work due in part to the efforts of occupational safety, health and environmental professionals who integrate safety into business operations and implement safety measures aimed at eliminating workplace fatalities and injuries; and

Whereas, our society has long recognized the importance of reducing workplace injuries and deaths and that a safer workplace enhances employee satisfaction; and

Whereas, the more than 30,000 members of the 93 year old non-profit American Society of Safety Engineers, the oldest and largest safety organization, are committed to protecting people, property and the environment; and

Whereas, it is imperative that employers, employees, and the general public recognize the importance that illness and injury prevention has on the economy and the positive impact of integrating effective safety and health programs in the workplace; and

Whereas, during the week of May 2 through May 8, 2004, members of the American Society of Safety Engineers will work to raise employers', employees' and the general public's understanding of the importance of occupational safety, health and the environment in everyone's lives;

Now, Therefore, I, Brad Henry, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of May 2 - 8, 2004, as

"North American Occupational Safety and Health Week"

in the state of Oklahoma,

and encourage all Oklahomans to recognize the importance of safety and health in the workplace.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 16th day of April in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and four, and of the State of Oklahoma in the ninety-sixth year.

Brad Henry
M. Susan Savage
SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR



ATTEST