

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, every year more than 5500 people die from job related injuries and 6.4 million more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of people die or are injured from motor vehicle accidents and other non-occupational injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, every day, millions of people go to and return home from work safely due, in part, to the efforts of safety, health and environmental practitioners and millions of people are not injured at home or when traveling; and

WHEREAS, occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners, fire departments, police, and other public safety employees work to prevent accidents, injuries, and diseases both at home and at work, create safer work and leisure environments, develop safer products and are committed to protecting people, property and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the work of these professionals in the areas of safety and health promotion, disease prevention, and wellness programs contribute greatly to the improvement of overall employee health, increased productivity, reduction in health care costs, and yield significant return on investment for employers and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, the more than 30,000 members of the American Society of Safety Engineers are occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners committed to protecting people, property and the environment;

Now, therefore, I, Brad Henry, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim May 29, 2006, as

"Safety and Health Professionals Day"

and May 14 - 20, 2006, as

"Oklahoma Safety Week"

in the State of Oklahoma.

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



I gave at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 2nd day of May in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and six and of the State of Oklahoma in the ninety-eighth year

M. Susan Love
SECRETARY OF STATE

Brad Henry
GOVERNOR