



STATE OF MISSOURI
Proclamation
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the United States of America has one of the highest rates of literacy in the world, which has helped make our country strong, productive, and a beacon of the democratic ideal; and

WHEREAS, while literacy for citizens in Missouri is a source of pride and respect, there remains a great need for additional resources and collaboration, seeing that 43 million adults in the United States lack basic literacy skills, and 63 million Americans are low-skilled in numeracy; and

WHEREAS, adult education programs around the country, and here in Missouri, serve adult citizens by providing numeracy, literacy, English language skills, digital literacy, work readiness, occupational training, and high school equivalency programs at no cost to participants; and

WHEREAS, multiple organizations throughout the State of Missouri are dedicated to the advocacy of adult literacy and are helping to connect citizens and communities across the nation to literacy services and resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim September 14 – 20, 2025 to be

ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY 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 25th day of August 2025.



Michael Kehoe
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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Denny Hoskins
SECRETARY OF STATE