

## State of Missouri Proclamation By the Governor

WHEREAS, Missouri joins with all other organizations nationwide working in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) in acknowledging the many ways our community benefits from the program; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Child and Adult Care Food Program is to serve nutritious meals to children in care in child care homes, centers and in afterschool programs. The CACFP also serves adults in day care; and

WHEREAS, nationally, the Child & Adult Care Food Program provides over 1.8 billion meals and snacks to over 4.7 million children daily in child care centers, family day care homes, after-school programs, and over 114,000 adults in adult day care; and

WHEREAS, Missouri CACFP has served almost 30,051,488 million meals in the past 12 months; and

WHEREAS, children and adults who participate in CACFP benefit from the nutritious meals that follow the CACFP meal pattern that helps to ensure proper development; and

WHEREAS, research shows that CACFP reduces food insecurity and plays a vital, clear role in promoting nutrition security.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim March 16-22, 2025, to be

## CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM 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 7th day of February 2025.



Mike Kehoe

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE