

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION  
BY THE  
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, National Metric Week draws attention to the educational and economic benefits of using the metric system; and

WHEREAS, the metric system, known as the International System of Units (SI), is a universal decimal-based measurement system developed to harmonize essential measurements that underpin science and technology; and

WHEREAS, legalized by the United States Congress in 1866 and declared the preferred system of weights and measures for Trade and Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the development of the metric system as an international system has contributed to advances in global commerce, science, and technology; and

WHEREAS, Teaching SI proficiency is fundamental to an informed citizenry, strengthens science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics careers and is a linchpin for the development of a world class US workforce of the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Kelly, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim, October 8-14, 2023, as

U. S. Metric Week

in the state of Kansas and I urge all citizens to join in this observation.



DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka  
under the Great Seal of  
the State this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
October, A.D. 2023

BY THE GOVERNOR:

*Laura Kelly*

*Scott Schulz*

Secretary of State

*Cheryl F. Boh*

Assistant Secretary of State