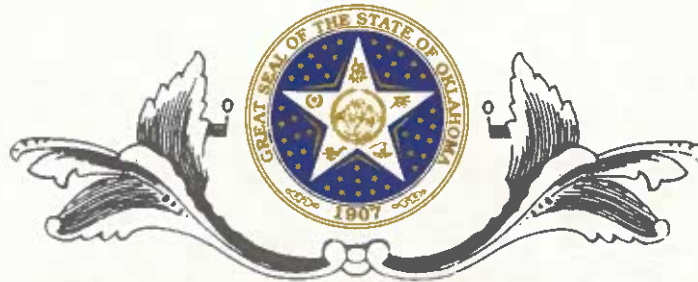


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, the State of Oklahoma is dedicated to protecting the lives of all who travel on its roads, highways and turnpikes and recognizes that seat belt usage is one of the most effective ways to reduce injuries and save lives in vehicle crashes; and

Whereas, seat belt use should be a daily habit for all drivers and passengers, just as routine as starting the engine or checking your rear-view mirror; and

Whereas, over 51 percent of fatal crashes in Oklahoma involve someone not wearing a seat belt, a clear indicator that lives are being lost due to preventable decisions; and

Whereas, certain groups - particularly males of driving age and older, rural residents, and young adults aged 16-24-are less likely to wear seat belts; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA) are leading a targeted, data-informed seat belt awareness campaign throughout the state to educate the public on the life-saving impact of seat belts; and

Whereas, the campaign theme, "Make It Home Safe; Make Oklahoma Safe," is supported by the powerful reminder: "Never Skip the Click" because only having a 50 percent chance of surviving a crash without a seat belt is not good enough;

Now Therefore, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim September 2025, as

"Seat Belt Safety Awareness Month"

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.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this twelfth day of August, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-five, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and seventeenth year.

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST: