TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, School bus drivers are responsible for the most precious cargo in America - our children; and

WHEREAS, they perform outstanding service to the children of Kansas who depend on school bus transportation while traveling to and from school and school activities; and

WHEREAS, their dedication and commitment to sharing their knowledge and expertise about school bus safety are unequaled; and

WHEREAS, they realize the awesome responsibility they assume each time they sit in the driver's seat of a school bus loaded with pupils; and

WHEREAS, their professional dedication has made pupil transportation the safest means of mass transportation in the country; and

WHEREAS, there are 4,589 school buses in Kansas that transport 208,124 pupils over 66 million miles a year; and

WHEREAS, the 4,272 bus drivers are often the first representative of the school system that a child sees in the morning and the last at night; and

WHEREAS, the drivers must attend safety meetings, first-aid classes, defensive driving classes, have a good driving record, a good sense of humor and bottomless pit of patience; and

WHEREAS, the drivers give pupils a good start on the day, dry tears, dispel fears, find lost notebooks and most faithfully deliver the students safely to their destinations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Colyer, M.D., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2018 as

School Bus Driver Appreciation Day

And call all citizens to be attentive to this observance.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of the
State this 1st day of
October, A.D. 2018

BY THE GOVERNOR:

[Signature]

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State