

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION  
BY THE  
GOVERNOR

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 is unequalled; 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 5,406 school buses in Kansas that transport 199,556 pupils more than 75 million miles a year; and

WHEREAS, The 5,650 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 a 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, KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim October 22, 2008 as

*School Bus Drivers' Appreciation Day*

in Kansas and urge all citizens to join in this important observance.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka  
under the Great Seal of the  
State this 28<sup>th</sup> day of  
August, A.D. 2008



BY THE GOVERNOR:

*Kathleen Sebelius*

*Ken Lambert*  
Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State