

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly is scheduled to adjourn pursuant to Article III, Section 20(a) of the Missouri Constitution on May 30, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, several severe storm systems impacted the State of Missouri over the last several months, resulting in damages associated with tornadoes, straight line winds, large hail, fires, heavy rains, flooding, flash flooding, and riverine flooding, resulting in loss of life as well as significant damage to homes, businesses, and public infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, a State of Emergency was declared on March 14, 2025, pursuant to Executive Order 25-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order 25-19 was subsequently extended by Executive Order 25-22 and Executive Order 25-23; and

**WHEREAS**, requests for presidential disaster declarations have been filed by the Governor for three storms that have occurred since March 2025, with another request currently underway for the St. Louis region; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri is in serious jeopardy of losing the Kansas City Chiefs and Kansas City Royals, two teams that are intricately woven into the fabric of the Show-Me State's sporting and entertainment heritage, to the state of Kansas; and

**WHEREAS**, the presence of professional sports teams, modern stadiums, and major sporting events significantly contribute to the cultural identity and pride of the State of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, the Kansas City Chiefs and Royals are Missouri's teams that drive billions of dollars in economic activity through tourism, job creation, and small businesses, including hotels, restaurants, and retail; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that the Kansas City Chiefs contribute \$575 million annually in economic value and over 4,500 jobs in Jackson County alone, bringing \$30 million in annual tax revenue to the State of Missouri, and a new Royals ballpark is expected to support 8,400 jobs and \$1.2 billion in economic output; and

**WHEREAS**, major league stadiums and related infrastructure serve as vital hubs for community engagement, fostering social cohesion and providing venues for diverse entertainment and civic activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the retention of major sports teams and events in Missouri supports state and local tax revenue streams that fund essential public services, such as education, infrastructure, and public safety, and these revenue streams are only expected to increase with new investment; and

**WHEREAS**, the departure of our professional sports teams to Kansas could result in significant setbacks to Missouri's competitive standing as a sought-after destination for tourism, business investment, and job creation, which in turn could diminish our growing reputation as a great place to live, work, start a business, and raise a family; and

**WHEREAS**, Article IV, Section 9 of the Missouri Constitution authorizes the Governor on extraordinary occasions, to convene the General Assembly by proclamation, specifying each matter requiring action.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on the extraordinary occasion that exists in the State of Missouri:

**I, MIKE KEHOE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution of the State of Missouri, do, by this Proclamation, convene the One Hundred Third General Assembly in the First Extraordinary Session of the First Regular Session; and

**I HEREBY** call upon the Senators and Representatives of said General Assembly to meet in the State Capitol in the City of Jefferson at the hour of 12:00 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2025; and

**I HEREBY** state that the action of said General Assembly is deemed necessary concerning each matter specifically designated and limited hereinafter as follows:

1. To enact legislation establishing an income tax deduction for the insurance policy deductible incurred by homeowners and renters whose primary residence is in an area that is included in a request for presidential disaster declaration filed by the Governor of the State of Missouri, the deduction not to exceed \$5000 per household per disaster in any calendar year; and
2. To enact legislation enhancing the utility of the Missouri Housing Trust Fund in areas included in a request for presidential disaster declaration by the Governor of the State of Missouri by (1) expanding eligibility to include persons or families whose household adjusted gross income is equal to or less than 75% of the median family income in the geographic area in which the residential unit is located, or the median family income for the state of Missouri, whichever is larger, and (2) removing administrative burdens and costs to expedite support for such persons and families; and
3. To appropriate money to the Department of Economic Development for the Missouri Housing Development Commission for general administration of affordable housing activities and for emergency aid in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund transferred to the Missouri Housing Trust Fund, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, section 28 of the Missouri Constitution for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; and
4. To appropriate money to the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development for the University of Missouri for the planning, design and construction of the Radioisotope Science Center at the University of Missouri Research Reactor (MURR) on the Columbia campus, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, section 28 of the Missouri Constitution for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; and
5. To appropriate money from funds other than the General Revenue Fund for purposes provided for in the Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Committee Substitute for House Bill 19 in the 2025 regular legislative session, to be expended only as provided in Article IV, section 28 of the Missouri Constitution for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026; and
6. To enact legislation modifying tax credits for sporting events; and
7. To enact legislation establishing economic development incentives for athletic and entertainment facility projects of a professional sports franchise that is a member of Major League Baseball or the National Football League; and
8. To add an emergency clause to necessary legislation enacted by the One Hundred Third General Assembly of the State of Missouri in the First Extraordinary Session of the First Regular Session; and
9. Such additional and other matters as may be recommended by the Governor by special message to the General Assembly after it shall have been convened.



ATTEST:

**IN WITNESS 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, on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael Kehoe".

MIKE KEHOE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Denny Hoskins".

DENNY HOSKINS  
SECRETARY OF STATE