



*State of Missouri*

## *Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, March 10-16, 2024, has been designated as National Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Week; and

**WHEREAS**, during National CACFP Week, Missouri joins with all other organizations nationwide working in the CACFP in acknowledging the many ways our community benefits from the program; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is to serve nutritious meals to children in care in childcare homes, centers and in afterschool programs. The CACFP also serves adults in day care; and

**WHEREAS**, children and adults that participate in the CACFP benefit from the nutritious meals that follow the CACFP meal pattern that ensure proper development; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that CACFP reduces food insecurity and plays a vital, clear role in promoting nutrition security; and

**WHEREAS**, nationally CACFP provides over 1.8 billion meals and snacks to over 4.7 million children daily in child care centers, family day care homes, after-school programs, and over 114,000 adults in adult day care. Missouri CACFP has served almost 30 million meals in the past 12 months.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim March 10-16, 2024, to be

### **CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM WEEK**

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY 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, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE