

  
**State of Iowa**  
**Executive Department**

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

**PROCLAMATION**

- WHEREAS,** Grain Bin Safety Week is an annual observance that takes place the third full week of February to promote grain bin safety on farms and commercial grain-handling facilities, provide education and share best safety practices; and
- WHEREAS,** it takes only seconds to be completely engulfed in flowing grain or overcome by oxygen-deficient atmospheres; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2018, there were 61 documented cases, an increase of 13% over the 54 cases reported in 2017. Of these cases, there were 30 documented grain entrapment cases. 50% of the 30 victims entrapped in grain ended up being a fatality; and
- WHEREAS,** through education and awareness of hazards and safe work practices and procedures, Nationwide and the State of Iowa hope to reduce the number of preventable injuries and deaths associated with grain handling and storage; and
- WHEREAS,** Grain Bin Safety Week is a collaborative effort by industry leaders and agricultural professionals working together; including Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, Specialty Risk Insurance, KC Supply, Co., Inc., CHS, Inc., KFSa Insurance Agency, Specialty Risk Southwest, The Scoular Company, Lutz Agency, Inc., Corteva Agriscience, Nationwide Financial, the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety, Grosskreutz Crop Insurance, Donnor-Farber & Associates, Sechler Insurance Group, Delaware Farm Bureau, Staples Associates, Schiff Farms, ABIS Insurance Services, The Scoular Company, David Larson Financial and Insurance Services, Gallagher, West Side Salvage, Cornerstone Financial Services, First Gabrielson Insurance Agency, Stuber Insurance Agency, Sump Saver, and NOHR Wortmann Engineering.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim the week of February 16-22, 2020 as

**GRAIN BIN SAFETY WEEK**



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE  
HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND  
CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE  
OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES  
MOINES THIS 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY  
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO  
THOUSAND TWENTY.

  
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KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

  
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PAUL PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE