



TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, investments in annuities provide a safe alternative for individuals who want a predictable way to meet immediate, ongoing, and future financial obligations and objectives; and

WHEREAS, outliving one's retirement income creates a financial hardship, requiring additional years of employment, reducing the standard of living in retirement, defeating the fulfillment of legacy goals, or requiring dependence upon family and friends for monetary support; and

WHEREAS, research indicates that annuity owners have a higher confidence in their overall retirement readiness, possessing the ability to address the critical concern of running out of money during retirement; and

WHEREAS, determining when and what kind of an annuity to buy is one of the most important financial decisions consumers will ever make and can benefit greatly from the expert advice of a qualified insurance or financial services professional; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition for Annuity Awareness, a nonprofit representing hundreds of leading insurance companies and organizations, has designated June as National Annuity Awareness Month to educate consumers on annuity benefits, support them in considering annuities for specific financial goals, and encourage them to seek professional advice for implementing annuities effectively in their income and legacy planning.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Kelly, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim, June 2023, as

Annuity Awareness Month

in the state of Kansas and I urge all citizens to join in this observation.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 25th day of May, A.D. 2023

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State