  
**Secretary**  
**of Iowa**  
**Executive Department**

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

**WHEREAS**, there are significant hazards associated with grain bins, making the safety and health of agricultural workers of the utmost importance; and

**WHEREAS**, grain production, handling, and transportation is a significant part of the agriculture industry in Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, it takes only seconds to be completely engulfed in flowing grain or overcome by oxygen-deficient atmospheres, and suffocation from engulfment is a leading cause of death in grain bin accidents; and

**WHEREAS**, many mechanical hazards such as augers and rotating shafts exist and the absence of proper energy-control procedures can create "caught between" and "struck by" accidents, leading to serious injury or death; and

**WHEREAS**, all grain bin accidents and injuries are preventable, and workers must be engaged, educated, and aware of unsafe conditions and behaviors; and

**WHEREAS**, each death has devastating impacts on the victim's family, friends, and coworkers; and **WHEREAS**, many fire departments lack the specialized rescue equipment and technique education necessary for a safe and successful grain bin rescue; and

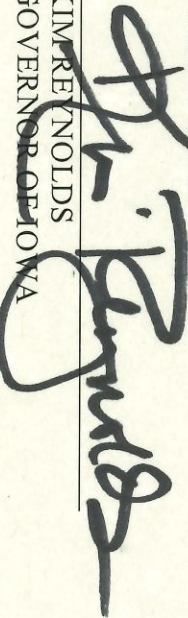
**WHEREAS**, the State of Iowa encourages all employers who have grain bins to develop safety and health programs, contribute to this safety initiative, and help make the state of Iowa a safer and healthier place to work; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Iowa is committed to helping the agricultural community develop safety programs with assistance from the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing, and other partners and stakeholders;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim the week of March 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as:

**STAND UP FOR GRAIN 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 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH IN  
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND  
TWENTY-FIVE.

  
KIM REYNOLDS  
GOVERNOR OF IOWA



ATTEST:

  
PAUL PATE  
SECRETARY OF STATE