

## RICK SCOTT GOVERNOR

## CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, children are our future, protecting them is the responsibility of all community members; and

WHEREAS, for children ages 1 to 13, motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death; and

WHEREAS, by working together we can help put an end to this tragedy; and

WHEREAS, today, all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and all U.S. territories require the use of car seats for children traveling in motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, we know they are most effective when installed and used correctly and Florida is committed to working closely with safety advocates such as Safe Kids Florida to help ensure children arrive safe and alive; and

WHEREAS, our goal is to educate parents and caregivers about the best ways to keep kids safe while traveling, no matter how short or long the trip. During Child Passenger Safety Week, car seat safety events will be held across the state; and

WHEREAS, I encourage all parents and caregivers to take advantage of this service to ensure that their children are in the right car seats for their age and size, and that the seats are installed correctly. To locate a child safety inspection station in your area, visit <a href="mailto:safercar.gov/parents-or-safekids.org/events">safercar.gov/parents-or-safekids.org/events</a>.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby proclaim September 13 to 19, 2015, as *Child Passenger Safety Week in Florida* and September 19 as "Florida Seat Check Saturday." I urge everyone to help reduce injuries and the tragic loss of life by buckling up themselves and their children — every trip, every time.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year two thousand fifteen.

Governor