

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, National Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Day is November 19, 2008; and

WHEREAS, National Geography Week is November 16-22, 2008; and

WHEREAS, GIS Day is part of the National Geographic Society's initiative *Geography Action!*, a yearlong program encompassing key educational achievements such as GIS Day and Geography Awareness Week designed to engage students, educators and communities in taking action to protect the Earth and its people; and

WHEREAS, New technology impacts our lives every day and Geography Awareness Week promotes geographic literacy in schools; and

WHEREAS, GIS is an important part of geography awareness and furthers the education of geography to create a solid foundation for the next generation; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kansas is committed to expanding GIS within all levels of state and local government, to schools and the general public in order to showcase real-world applications with GIS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim November 19, 2008, as

Geography Information System Day

in Kansas and urge all citizens to participate in GIS Day activities.

Done: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of the
State this 21st day of
October, A.D. 2008

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Kathleen Sebelius

Ron Thornburgh
Secretary of State

Mary Diane Minear
Assistant Secretary of State

