STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

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PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, fires in Indiana and other states have taken the lives of college students;

and

WHEREAS, September and October are the peak months for fires in dormitory

properties and are most common during the evening hours; and

WHEREAS, from January 2000 to April 2022, 94 fatal fires have been documented

that occurred on a college campus, in Greek housing, or in off-campus housing within three miles of the campus and claimed 134 lives; and

WHEREAS, fatal fires have occurred in buildings where the fire safety systems have

been compromised or disabled by the occupants; and

WHEREAS, many students are living in off-campus occupancies and Greek housing

and may not be adequately protected with automatic fire sprinkler systems and automatic fire alarm systems or adequate smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that fire safety education is an effective method of

reducing the occurrence of fires and reducing the resulting loss of life

and property damage; and

WHEREAS, by developing a generation of fire-safe adults, future loss of life from

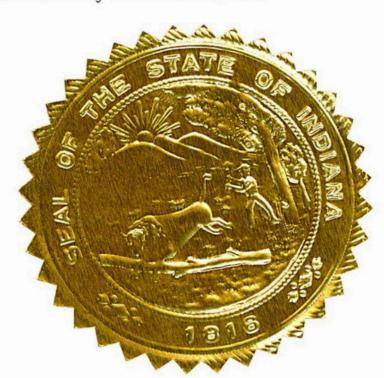
fires can be significantly reduced;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2024 as

CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and eause to be affixed the Great Seat of State. Done at the City of Indianapolis, this 13th day of August the year of our Lord 2024 and of the Independence of the United States 249.



BY THE GOVERNOR:

EMC Howard