



STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

WHEREAS,

Agriculture has long been the backbone of Nebraska's economy, and the states strong agricultural and rural family traditions continue to make Nebraska farming vital to the prosperity of our Nation; and

WHEREAS,

Antique tractor enthusiasts dedicate themselves to restoring and preserving historic farm machinery, with antique tractors representing both a lifelong passion for some cherished memories for others; and

WHEREAS,

Antique tractors serve as tangible reminders of Nebraska's agricultural heritage and the rich rural history of its people; and

WHEREAS,

The development and evolution of farm machinery reflect a culture of innovation in agriculture, with tractors surpassing draft animals on U.S farms by 1954, resulting in a dramatic increase in crop production; and

WHEREAS,

On September 25th, 2024, U.S. Senator Roger Marshall entered a statement into the Congressional Record (Vol. 17, No. 150) commemorating Antique Tractor Preservation Day, driving nationwide recognition of the importance of preserving vintage farm machinery; and

WHEREAS,

The continued observance of Antique Tractor Preservation Day stands as a testament to importance of preserving historic agricultural equipment and safeguarding the enduring legacy, innovation, and hard work of America's farming community.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, Jim Pillen, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the 22nd day of August, 2026, as

ANTIQUA TRACTOR PRESERVATION DAY

in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this Seventh Day of July in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six.



Attest:

John B. Sme

Secretary of State

Jim Pillen

Governor