## The State of Washington



## **Aroclamation**

*WHEREAS*, on each school day in Washington State, more than 10,800 school buses provide more than 810,000 student trips with transportation between home and school – safely traveling more than 97 million miles; and

WHEREAS, school bus drivers must complete initial and annual training, and provide the highest standard of care for the students they transport; and

*WHEREAS*, the school bus inspection program ensures the safety of school buses and exemplifies outstanding interagency cooperation between school districts and the Commercial Vehicle Division of the Washington State Patrol; and

*WHEREAS*, school bus driver instructors, shop personnel, supervisors, and support staff perform vital functions in assuring the safe operation of the student transportation system; and

*WHEREAS*, ensuring motorists adhere to the rules of the road around school buses during the loading and unloading of students is critical to maintaining safe conditions;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 19-23, 2020, as

## School Bus Safety Week

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 9th day of September, 2020

Governor Jay Inslee

