



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, infants, toddlers and children represent Idaho's future; and

WHEREAS, vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death and serious injuries for children 14 and younger; and

WHEREAS, national records indicate that of the 662 children 12 and younger who were killed in traffic crashes in 2015, nearly one in three was not in a car seat, booster seat or wearing a seat belt; and

WHEREAS, in Idaho, two children under 7 years old died and five were seriously injured in 2015 car crashes because they were not restrained; and

WHEREAS, many of these deaths and injuries could have been prevented had these children been buckled up with an appropriate car seat or seat belt; and

WHEREAS, Idaho has more than 260 certified child passenger safety technicians who are committed to educating parents and caregivers about the best ways to keep kids safe while traveling in cars, no matter how short or long the trip;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 17-23, 2017 to be

**NATIONAL CHILD PASSENGER
SAFETY WEEK**

in Idaho, and encourage our citizens to take advantage of the statewide car seat safety checks being held this week and to ensure children are in the right car seats for their age and size, and that car seats are installed correctly.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 17th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-eighth.



C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE