

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, the Heartland Dispute Resolution Association, an association of dispute resolution professionals formed October 12, 1989, works tirelessly to promote the use of dispute resolution to assist in managing public and private conflicts; and

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas is committed to the use of dispute resolution for problem-solving making Kansas a leader in providing statewide integrated approaches to the effective resolution of community, court, and public policy disputes; and

WHEREAS, dispute resolution fosters communication and cooperation, offers a forum for creative options and problem solving, and provides a less costly and less time-consuming alternative to litigation while still empowering participants to control decisions affecting their lives and business affairs; and

WHEREAS, dispute resolution achieves peaceful resolutions to community, school, and family issues by promoting recognition of the interests of all concerned parties, focusing on future-oriented solutions, and supplying an opportunity for education and potential referrals to other avenues of assistance; and

WHEREAS, Kansas has a wide variety of organizations that support and provide dispute resolution services to citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Heartland Dispute Resolution Association has promoted the practice of dispute resolution services by organizing and hosting virtual monthly educational webinars.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Kelly, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim April 2023, as

Kansas Alternative Dispute Resolution Month

in the state of Kansas, and I urge all citizens to join in this observation.



DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of
the State this 1st day of
April, A.D. 2023

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Laura Kelly
Scott Schuch
Secretary of State
Jennifer Cook
Assistant Secretary of State