

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Our Nation is in the midst of many trials; and

WHEREAS, we know that the foundations of American history are built on reconciliation in times of discord, looking forward to the future with a vision of cohesiveness; and

WHEREAS, Reconciliation is a powerful means of improving and strengthening human relations; and

WHEREAS, Reconciliation requires respectful listening, humility, patience, and understanding, not only to admit past wrongs, but also in order to seek or grant forgiveness; and

WHEREAS, Reconciliation dissolves barriers, heals relationships, restores peace, and releases people from guilt, anger, and shame; and

WHEREAS, Reconciliation offers hope for a better future by restoring to unity those who had been divided; and

WHEREAS, Reconciliation is needed amongst all mankind:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim November 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> of 2013, as

## *A Week of Reconciliation*

in Kansas where forgiveness is sought and given across our state.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka  
under the Great Seal of the  
State this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of  
November, A.D. 2013