

# STATE OF NEBRASKA



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,**

*Hunting, firearms, and the shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of Nebraska; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Increasing access to education and shooting sports provides opportunity to safely learn to shoot and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission is not only responsible for the sound management and stewardship of wildlife but also teaches principles of ethical hunting, firearms safety, and responsible firearm use; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Hundreds of thousands of Nebraska residents, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Hunting and the shooting sports contributed over \$650 million dollars to the Nebraska economy in 2020; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*Sportsmen and women—and recreationalist dollars from license fees and a tax on sporting arms, ammunition, archery equipment, and handguns apportioned to Nebraska—resulted in over \$9 million in funding for wildlife stewardship, and hunter education in Nebraska in 2020; and*

**WHEREAS,**

*In August 2021, organizations, businesses, and others will come together to recognize National Shooting Sports Month and to spotlight shooting sports activities enjoyed by millions of Americans; and*

**NOW THEREFORE,**

*I, PETE RICKETTS, Governor of the State of Nebraska, do hereby recognize August 2021 as*

### **NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH**

*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 Fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-one.*



*Attest:*

Secretary of State

Governor