

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** The early childhood years are the most active period for the developing brain and a stable, secure relationship with a nurturing, caring adult is a key factor in the development of young children; and
- WHEREAS:** Many parents begin the difficult lifetime job of raising a child feeling unprepared for the challenges ahead and children have a better, healthier start when parents have the support and skills needed to raise them; and
- WHEREAS:** Home visiting can include a variety of different programs and models, including early childhood home visiting programs and parenting education programs; and
- WHEREAS:** Home visiting programs help parents meet the unique needs of their children, promote healthy development, strengthen family relationships, reduce the risk of abuse and neglect, and promote equity by providing resources to families who are furthest from opportunity; and
- WHEREAS:** Well-trained professionals implement early childhood home visitation so that all families have the opportunity to access information in ways that respect their unique beliefs, traditions and customs; and
- WHEREAS:** The State of Oregon urges individuals and organizations across our state to utilize home visiting resources as needed to support the health and well-being of our children and families.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim April 21-25, 2025 to be

OREGON HOME VISITING WEEK

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day April 17, 2025.



Tina Kotek

Tina Kotek, Governor

Tobias J. Read

Tobias Read, Secretary of State