WHEREAS, state and national data show that yellow school buses are the safest possible vehicles to transport children to and from schools; and

WHEREAS, Idaho school bus operators exhibit daily exemplary safety performance, which ensures safety for other motorists and student riders; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho State Department of Education is committed to providing a safe, crash-free environment for the Idaho public school bus riders who travel daily on our roadways; and

WHEREAS, motorists’ behavior and actions directly affect the safety of children walking, bicycling, and getting off and on school buses; and

WHEREAS, motorists must stop when a school bus has stopped with its stop arms extended and red lights flashing; and

WHEREAS, it takes the whole community to provide a safe environment for children; and

WHEREAS, extra precautions are needed for students and school buses; and

WHEREAS, every time a person in Idaho sees a school bus, they should perform safe and attentive driving for the sake of the safety of all Idaho children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 16-20, 2023, to be

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in Idaho, and I encourage Idaho citizens to recognize this special observance.

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 16th day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-eighth, and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirty-fourth.

PHIL MCGRANE
SECRETARY OF STATE