



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, children under 18 are more vulnerable and susceptible to injury in a motor vehicle in the event of a crash; and

WHEREAS, children aged through three years must be secured in a separate carrier or a vehicle manufacturer's integrated child seat and children aged four through five years must be secured in a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat while in a motor vehicle; and

WHEREAS, children under age 13 should be secured in the rear seat of a passenger vehicle, as airbags can injure or kill young children in the front seat; and

WHEREAS, all passengers under the age of 18 must be restrained by a safety belt or by a child restraint device anywhere in a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is tasked with the duty of educating the public on child safety on Florida roads and the proper use of child safety restraints and safety belts; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of all motorists to keep children on Florida's roadways safe; and

WHEREAS, through valuable partnerships, the department seeks to raise awareness to help save lives of children and the Florida Highway Patrol is committed to safety by offering free monthly car seat installation and safety checks at statewide FHP Troop locations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 18-24, 2016, as the *Child Passenger Safety Week in Florida*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 16th day of September, in the year two thousand sixteen.



Governor