

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, radon is a naturally occurring colorless, odorless radioactive gas that threatens the health of Iowans. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reports that exposure to radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer deaths in the United States and the number one leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers; and
- WHEREAS, one in 15 homes across the U.S. has an elevated radon level and five out of seven homes in Iowa have elevated radon levels. Any home in Iowa may have an elevated level of radon, even if other homes in the same neighborhood do not, and elevated levels pose a serious health threat to residents; and
- WHEREAS, testing for radon is simple and inexpensive and identified radon problems can be fixed; and
- WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services, the American Lung Association, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are supporting efforts to encourage Iowans to test their homes for radon, mitigate elevated levels of radon, and build new homes using radon resistant new construction features.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim January 2024 as:

Radon Action Month

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE
HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND
CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES
THIS FIRST DAY OF JANUARY IN THE YEAR OF
OUR LOAD TWO TROUSAND TWENTY-FOUR.

KIM REYNOLDS GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

PAUL PATE

SECRETARY OF STATE