WHEREAS, November 18, 2021, has been designated the 28th Annual National Parental Involvement Day by Project Appleseed, a national campaign for public school improvement; and

WHEREAS, during the past three decades, school systems throughout the country have accepted the services of dedicated volunteers to assist educators, and these volunteers have offered their time, encouragement, and meaningful contact with students; and

WHEREAS, research clearly demonstrates that family and community engagement is a significant factor in the success of schools; and

WHEREAS, by becoming a volunteer, parents, grandparents, and community members are providing an invaluable contribution to the education of our students; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are called upon to assist teachers and staff with the day-to-day activities involved in providing a balanced education for our students and are an important part of a team that strives to ensure that each and every one of our students succeeds; and

WHEREAS, during the school year, countless volunteers are spending innumerable hours serving schools throughout Missouri as chaperones, mentors, after-school tutors, club leaders, booster club members, PTA and PTO members, guest speakers, classroom helpers, and athletics coaches.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2021, to be

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT DAY

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 25th day of October, 2021.