

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can emanate from soil and become a health hazard when concentrated inside a home, school, business or other structure.

WHEREAS, about one out of every three radon measurements performed in Kansas are elevated, being above 4 pCi/l (picoCuries per liter). Some areas have higher levels than others, though elevated levels of radon have been detected in every county in the state; and

WHEREAS, Radon testing requires little time and few resources, and is a simple and inexpensive first step towards protecting oneself from the risk of lung cancer associated with high levels of Radon; and

WHEREAS, more than 200 lung cancer deaths per year in Kansas may be linked to indoor radon; and

WHEREAS, most homeowners can build new homes which are radon resistant or reduce high levels of radon in existing homes with simple repairs; and

WHEREAS, all Kansans should be aware of this potential threat to our well-being and take measures now to reduce the risk of developing lung cancer in the future:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim January of 2012, as

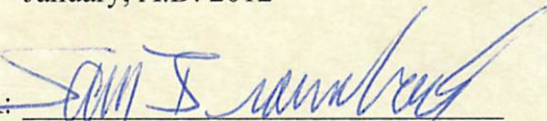
Kansas Radon Action Month

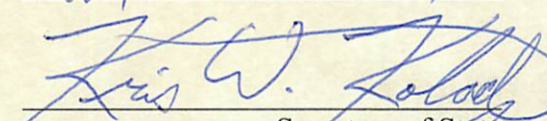
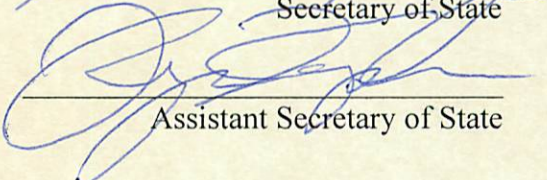
and urge all Kansans to test their homes, schools and work sites for radon and minimize the risk associated with long-term exposure to this health hazard.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of the
State this 4th day of
January, A.D. 2012

BY THE GOVERNOR:






Secretary of State


Assistant Secretary of State