



**RICK SCOTT**  
GOVERNOR

**STATEWIDE CONCRETE MASONRY DAY IN FLORIDA**

**WHEREAS, concrete masonry is a natural Florida product, mined and manufactured by Floridians; and**

**WHEREAS, concrete masonry is installed by Florida's highly skilled masons whose precision can never be replaced by machines; and**

**WHEREAS, over 60 percent of all homes and 35 percent of all commercial buildings in Florida are built with concrete block; and**

**WHEREAS, many of the world's significant and longest lasting architectural achievements were built with masonry; and**

**WHEREAS, concrete masonry is versatile, durable, sustainable, and highly flexible, allowing architects and builders to create some of Florida's most beautiful structures; and**

**WHEREAS, concrete masonry is safe, fire resistant, and mold averse, providing optimal shelter from a wide scope of potential disasters; and**

**WHEREAS, concrete masonry is both green and economical, and it is a building material that can be recycled, reused, and lower energy consumption and costs; and**

**WHEREAS, the Masonry Education Act passed during the 2014 Legislative Session will provide a critical industry-supported Masonry Apprentice Program; and**

**WHEREAS, the Florida citizens who are proud to mine, manufacture, deliver, and install concrete masonry should be recognized for the important work they do;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing September 27, 2014, as *Statewide Concrete Masonry Day 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year two thousand fourteen.**

  
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Governor