

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, preventing workplace injury and illness should always be a priority in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, teens at work are twice as likely to be injured as adults; and

WHEREAS, many Washington teens will start jobs this summer unaware of labor laws designed to protect them from potential on-the-job hazards; and

WHEREAS, young workers need special attention and protections in the workplace, employers need to follow the rules for employing teens and make a special effort to address any health and safety hazards that may exist; and

WHEREAS, greater awareness and education will create safer work experiences for young people; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 2013 as

Safe Jobs for Youth Month

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 29th day of April, 2013

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee", written over a horizontal line.

Governor Jay Inslee

