

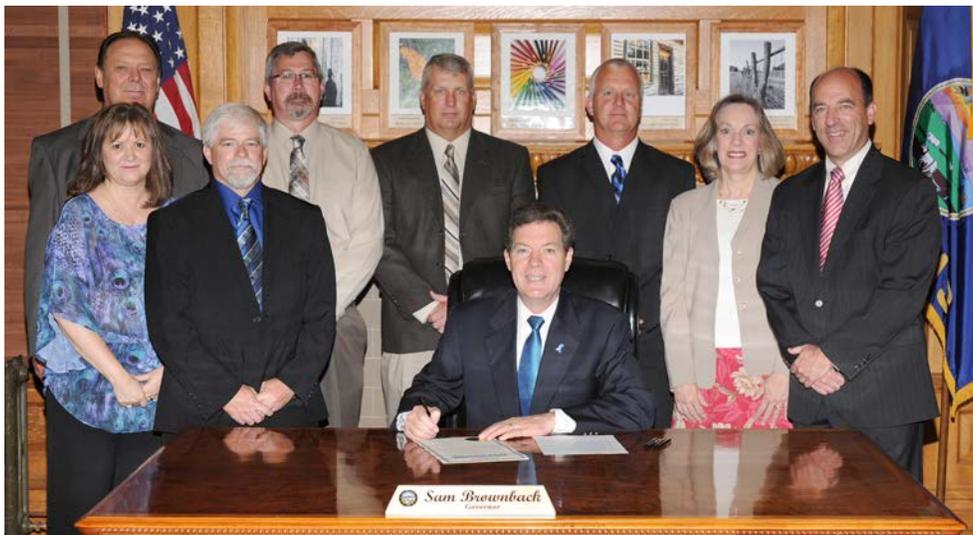


Improving Safety & Health Performance Promoting Awareness & Providing Program Assistance

The Kansas SHARP Association was formed in 2010 to continuously improve safety and health by mentoring, networking, promoting awareness and providing safety program assistance to other companies in the SHARP program.

Those with an interest in participating in the Kansas SHARP Association should contact the Kansas Department of Labor, Division of Industrial Safety & Health, at (785)296-4386.

On May 18, 2012, the SHARP Association was recognized with a proclamation by Kansas Governor Sam Brownback. (The Proclamation text follows.)



Pictured at the signing are (back row, left to right) Ken Bieker, SHARP coordinator for KDOL, Greg Schmidt, Cross Mfg. in Hays; Jeff Lytle, Florence Mfg. in Manhattan; Perry Evenson, Via Christi Village McLean in Wichita; KDOL Secretary Karin Brownlee; Michael Bomberger, Community HealthCare Systems in Onaga, St. Mary's, Centralia, Holton and Frankfort; (front row) Terri Sanchez, KDOL Director of Industrial Safety and Health; Paul Maness, Farrar Corporation in Manhattan and Norwich; and Gov. Brownback.

SHARP Association board members not available for the photo: Jennifer Coker, Underground Vaults & Storage in Hutchinson; Craig Crane, AMARR Garage Doors in Lawrence; Jennifer Dellar, Kansas Ethanol LLC in Lyons; and Chuck Staab, Midwest Energy Inc. in Hays.



TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, The mission of the Kansas Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP) Association is to continuously improve safety and health performance through mentoring, networking, promoting awareness and providing program assistance; and

WHEREAS, The SHARP Association provides an avenue for SHARP companies to meet, plan and share best practices in the efforts to continually improve workplace safety and health; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas SHARP Association establishes a networking system through an internet distribution list to improve SHARP companies' relationships; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas SHARP Association is a vehicle to promote workplace safety and health and increase awareness about SHARP throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas SHARP Association achieves this through adherence to its core tenets of advocacy, collaboration, leadership, integrity and partnering; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Department of Labor, Division of Industrial Safety and Health, OSHA Consultation Program serves only as an advisor on safety and health issues and on policies that govern the SHARP program; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas SHARP Association is helping lead the way and assisting companies to continually improve workplace safety and health:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SAM BROWNBACK, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby recognize and congratulate

The Kansas SHARP Association

for leading and setting a path for employers to follow as you help promote workplace safety and health to the citizens of this great state.