

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 16 OF 2023

**WHEREAS**, each April since 1989, workers in over a hundred countries have observed Workers' Memorial Day to remember those who have suffered injury, hardship, or lost their lives while at work, with the core theme of "Mourn for the dead – Fight for the living"; and

**WHEREAS**, Workers' Memorial Day is observed in the United States on the anniversary of the passage of the Occupational Safety and Health Act in 1970, transforming American workplaces and saving an estimated 668,000 lives since its passage; and

**WHEREAS**, workers have sacrificed and continue to sacrifice to build our nation, feed our families, fuel our economy, teach our children, keep our communities healthy, and care for our loved ones, sometimes at risk to their own safety and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize and affirm that every worker has a basic right to a safe and healthy workplace, free of injury, violence, and harassment, as well as the essential role of all levels of government, working in partnership with labor unions, in promoting safe and dignified workplaces; and

**WHEREAS**, we remember those who have lost their lives, while pledging to work for safer workplaces.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim **April 28, 2023** as **Workers' Memorial Day** in Centre County, and encourages all staff and citizens to remember those workers we have lost, while building safer workplaces.

**ADOPTED** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



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