

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Panasonic Energy Co., Ltd, an affiliate of Osaka-based Panasonic, founded in 1918, selected De Soto, Kansas, for the site of its electric vehicle battery plant project in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the state of Kansas was selected over 80 other locations due to the extraordinary effort by the people of Kansas to win this highly competitive economic development project; and

WHEREAS, the successful recruitment of Panasonic would not have been possible without the cooperation and bipartisan effort by federal, state, legislative and local partners, led by the Kansas Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the Panasonic Energy project is the largest private sector investment in Kansas history at \$4 billion and 4,000 new jobs, the Panasonic Energy project is creating next-generation jobs for a better, more prosperous future for our children — and their grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Panasonic Energy has been recognized for its commitment to excellence in the electric vehicle battery sector, Panasonic Energy and Kansas represent the same values and vision to make our state a great place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, Panasonic Energy and the State of Kansas are building a mutually beneficial ecosystem for the electric vehicle battery industry in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Panasonic Energy investment makes Kansas a leader in the electric vehicle production supply chain and highlights Kansas' appeal to innovative, future-focused advanced manufacturing industries; and

WHEREAS, Panasonic Day provides an opportunity to recognize the collaborative efforts of Panasonic Energy and Kansas' economic and business development leaders to drive shared economic growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Kelly, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim July 14, 2025, as

Panasonic Day

in the state of Kansas in honor of the facilities grand opening and I urge all citizens to join in this observation by celebrating the state's limitless potential for foreign direct investment, job creation and prosperity for all.



DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of
the State this 14th day of
July 2025

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Handwritten signature of Laura Kelly in blue ink.

Handwritten signature of Jethro Leub in blue ink.
Secretary of State

Handwritten signature of Sandy Tompkins in blue ink.
Assistant Secretary of State