

# STATE OF MICHIGAN



## CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

April 14 through April 20, 2013 as

## MICHIGAN STATE POLICE HISTORY WEEK

WHEREAS, on April 19, 1917, Gov. Albert Sleeper created the Michigan State Troops Permanent Force, also known as the Michigan State Constabulary, as an emergency force for the purpose of domestic security during World War I; and,

WHEREAS, this new force, under the leadership of Col. Roy C. Vandercook, consisted of five troops of mounted, dismounted and motorized units, totaling 300 men; and,

WHEREAS, on March 26, 1919, Public Act 26 reorganized the Constabulary as the permanent, peace-time Michigan State Police; Michigan adopted a new Constitution in 1963, authorizing up to 20 state departments, and Public Act 380 of 1965 reorganized the Michigan Department of State Police as one of these departments; and,

WHEREAS, the pride and commitment to service that began in 1917 continues today in every employee and member of the Michigan Department of State Police; during this week, we encourage Michiganders to recognize the Michigan State Police as they celebrate 96 years of service to the Great Lakes State with excellence, integrity and courtesy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 14 through Saturday, April 20, 2013 as Michigan State Police History Week in Michigan.



A blue ink signature of Rick Snyder, Governor of Michigan.

Rick Snyder  
Governor

