



Gary Richard Herbert

Governor

Declaration

Whereas, a decay product of uranium, radon, is a radioactive, colorless, odorless, and tasteless gas, which occurs naturally in soil and groundwater;

Whereas, radon is a carcinogen and the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, with 21,000 lung cancer deaths associated with the gas each year;

Whereas, the inhalation or digestion of radon can increase a person's risk of developing lung cancer and can easily occur when the gas enters indoor locations such as businesses and homes; and

Whereas, the State of Utah joins the national initiative of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to educate the public about the dangers and risks of elevated indoor radon gas levels, as well as to encourage Utah residents to test their homes' radon levels and take appropriate corrective action when elevated levels are detected;

Now, therefore, I, Gary R. Herbert, governor of the State of Utah, do hereby declare January 16-22, 2017, as

Radon Action Week in Utah

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gary R. Herbert'.

Gary R. Herbert

Governor