



PROCLAMATION FOR CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK/NATIONAL SEAT CHECK SATURDAY 2016

WHEREAS, Protecting children is everyone's responsibility. In all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and all U.S. territories, it is required to use car seats for children traveling in motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, of the 602 fatalities that occurred in children 12 and under, 191 were unbuckled. Of the estimated 112,000 injuries that occurred in children 13 and under, 6,000 were unsecured and injury potentially could have been avoided had these children been buckled up; and

WHEREAS, Vicksburg, MS is committed to educating parents and caregivers about the best ways to keep kids safe while traveling in cars, no matter how long or short the trip. I encourage parents and caregivers to take advantage of this service to make sure their children are in the right car seats for their age and size, and that the seats are installed correctly. Certified Child Passenger Technicians from the Vicksburg Police Department will be checking car seats on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at Gaskin Chiropractic parking lot, 3425 Pemberton Square Blvd, from 10:00am to 12noon.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Mayor George Flaggs, do hereby proclaim September 18 – 24, 2016 as

***"Child Passenger Safety Week" and September 24, 2016 as "National
Seat Check Saturday" in Vicksburg, MS***

IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg do hereby affix our signatures and the Official Seal of the City of Vicksburg on this 9th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand sixteen.

Mayor George Flaggs, Jr.

Alderman Willis T. Thompson

Alderman Michael Mayfield, Sr.