

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings: Know ye that this official recognition is presented to all observing

Shooting Sports Month

August 2025

The American spirit, especially within the Great State of Texas, is often defined by a deep-rooted commitment to independence. This is clearly reflected in the tradition of shooting sports, which brings Texan families together and fosters a deep connection with the oundoors. These longituding activities instill key values such as discipline, self-reliance, and personal responsibility.

Furthermore, theoting sports have positively impacted both our environment and economy. In 2024 alone, the firzarm and ammunition industry contributed around 56.46 billion to Texas' booming economy, naturined roughly 30,000 high-quality jobs, and generated tens of millions in excise tax revenue in support of conservation efforts. In that light, this industry aids in maintaining two fundamental aspects of our beloved state: its natural beauty and our unparalleled business environment.

Each year, the month of August is set uside to recognize the broader impacts of shooting sports and to impire all Texaus to take part in this proud tradition. During this observance and hereafter, I encourage advocacy groups, professional organizations, and government entities to celebrate shooting sports and promote safe, ethical sportsmanship. Shooting sports are a central aspect of Texas culture, and I urge every Texau to engage in them safely and responsibly.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in encouraging all Texans to observe Shooting Sports Month with befitting programs and activities.



In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at the City of Austin this the 22nd day of July, 2025.

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Greg Abbott Governor of Texas