Proclamation

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are integral to the discovery development, and conserving of mineral, energy, and water resources needed for Louisiana’s continuing prosperity; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences provide the basis for mitigating wetland loss and natural hazards such as earthquakes, floods, coastal erosion, hurricanes, landslides, droughts, and subsidence experienced from time to time in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are critical to environmental and ecological issues ranging from surface water, ground water, oil spills, and air quality to waste disposal; and

WHEREAS, geological factors of resources, hazards, and environmental are vital to land management and land use decisions made in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Geological Survey, since its establishment in 1934, has served the state and its citizens with valuable and relevant earth science investigations and information.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 9-15, 2016 as

EARTH SCIENCE WEEK
in the State of Louisiana.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 15TH day of JULY A.D., 2016.

[Signature]
Governor of Louisiana