

## **PROCLAMATION TEMPLATE**

Below you will find suggested wording for the 2016 Proclamation. States will NOT issue a "National" Emu Week Proclamation, only a "state" proclamation.

**DO NOT refer to it as National Emu Week.**

The WI state proclamation will read "Wisconsin Emu Week."

Your county ag agent should be able to help you find out how to get a proclamation in your state, as should, anyone in your state ag department, all state and US representatives and senators or you could work directly with your state governor's office.

Keep in mind if, state proclamations cannot be obtained, that

**proclamations can be signed not only by state governors and administrators,**

but, by:

**Local city mayors**

**City council members**

**Town chairmen**

**Supervisors & etc. in towns, cities, townships, villages, counties, etc.**

**A Mall, or even an individual store, could proclaim "Emu Week"**

If you have any questions, be sure to post them to the AEA e-mail list.

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**SUGGESTED WORDING FOR  
2016 "EMU WEEK" PROCLAMATION:**

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**State of**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, The State of \_\_\_\_\_ is home to many emu farms; and

**WHEREAS**, the emu has not only adjusted to the state's climate but is also making a substantial contribution to agricultural endeavors around the state; and

**WHEREAS**, the emu is environmentally friendly to raise and produces heart-healthy red meat, which has been found - in laboratory studies - to be lower in fat and higher in protein than other alternative red meats as well as chicken and turkey and increases ag's ability to sustain and diversify; and

**WHEREAS**, the emu produces products that benefit mankind and cannot be duplicated, such as emu oil; and

**WHEREAS**, emu's hide is soft and supple enough to be popularly used in the fashion industry and by master bootmakers; and

**WHEREAS**, a growing sector of the State of \_\_\_\_\_'s agricultural economy comes from the efforts and contributions of emu growers, who are involved in raising, processing and marketing emu products, many of whom are members of the \_\_\_\_\_ Emu Association, a non-profit organization whose mission includes encouraging the growth of the emu industry and increasing public understanding of that industry.

Now, therefore, I, the Honorable \_\_\_\_\_, Governor of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby proclaim May 7-15, 2016, as

\_\_\_\_\_ EMU WEEK

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, in the City of \_\_\_\_\_

This \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

( SEAL ) SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

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