

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, financial capability is an essential skill that ensures Washingtonians are prepared to manage money, credit, investments, and debt; and

WHEREAS, personal and household savings are fundamental to Washington's economic stability and vitality; and

WHEREAS, adequate emergency savings, retirement funds and safe debt-to-income ratios are critical components of personal financial security; and

WHEREAS, America Saves is a national social marketing campaign that aims to persuade, encourage and motivate all Americans to take financial action in building wealth through saving money and reducing debt; and

WHEREAS, Washington is a partner in the America Saves campaign, *Own Your Financial Story: Small Steps, Big Impact*, and is committed to helping its residents build wealth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Ferguson, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim April 6-10, 2026, as

Washington Saves Week

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to assess and improve their personal finances by taking a positive wealth-building action during Washington Saves Week and pledge to sustain that action during the rest of the year with attention to the specific focus topics during the week: *Building a Strong Foundation* on Monday, *Expect the Unexpected* on Tuesday, *Dream Big, Plan With Purpose* on Wednesday, *Rewrite the Debt Narrative* on Thursday, and *Your Story, Your Future* on Friday.



Signed this 27th day of March, 2026

Bob Ferguson

Governor Bob Ferguson