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Governor proclaims Hiawatha " Halloween Town"

(KNZA)--Kansas Governor Laura Kelly has proclaimed Hiawatha as "Halloween Town."

The proclamation comes due to the city's rich Halloween history. The city boasts the oldest Halloween parade and celebration in the United States.

Hiawatha Chamber and Visitors Bureau Board President Kate Miller said she is excited by the honor as the community is preparing for the 105th Halloween Frolic later this month.

This year's theme is "Season of the Witch."

This year's frolic will be on Thursday, Oct. 31, with the afternoon parade at 3:00 and grand parade at 7:00 in the evening.

The Hiawatha Halloween queen will be crowned at 6:00 prior to the grand parade.

There will be additional activities that afternoon--including the Miss Mary Children's Costume Contest at 1:00 and downtown business trick-or-treating from 3:30 to 5 around the courthouse square.

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