

Proclamation by the Governor

Navy Day

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PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, since 1922, October 27 has been observed throughout the Nation as Navy Day; and

WHEREAS, this date is one of special significance in the history of the United States Navy; being the anniversary of the reception by Congress in 1775 of the bill for the creation and establishment of a fleet; also the birthday of President Theodore Roosevelt, who recognized the need for a powerful Navy and with characteristic energy and forcefulness supported a program which resulted in a Navy respected by every nation in the world; and

WHEREAS, in this critical time we must maintain the strength and prestige of our Navy as an important instrument of security at home and peace abroad; and

WHEREAS, the people of Maine, with their seafaring background and enviable reputation not only as able seamen but as the builders of fine ships, take particular pride in this distinguished branch of our armed services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HORACE HILDRETH, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim October 27, 1946, as NAVY DAY, in honor of the men and ships of the United States Navy, which played such a tremendous part in winning the victory in World War II. I urge that the American flag be displayed in homes and places of business on this day and that all Maine people participate in local Navy Day programs.



Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-first.

By the Governor

Harold I. Goss
Secretary of State

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Governor