## PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR ABRAHAM LINCOLN WEEK

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WHEREAS, Ford's Theatre in Washington, D. C., will reopen after 103 years of darkness on February 12, 1968; and

WHEREAS, this is an event that makes the Nation's Capital-and the Nation itself--measurably brighter; and

WHEREAS, under the Department of the Interior and the National Parks Service, the theatre has been completely restored to its original state; and

WHEREAS, the reopening of this theatre will serve as a living memorial to President Abraham Lincoln and his love for the arts, and will serve as a place for entertainment and pleasure--the purpose for which it was originally intended; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Service has arranged with the Ford's Theatre Society, a private nonprofit group, for a 14-week repertory season;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of February 12, 1968, as

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in the State of Maine, and call the attention of all Maine citizens to the reopening of Ford's Theatre in Washington, D. C., as a living memorial to President Abraham Lincoln.



By the Governor

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Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this First day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-second.

Comet M. Cartis Kenneth M. Curtis