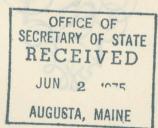
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR 200TH Anniversary of the United States Army



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WHEREAS, the United States Army was formed on June 14, 1775, from a small but devoted band of patriots who began the struggle to guarantee the independence and freedom of the American people; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army has for two centuries protected the American people from external threats and provided for the security and stability necessary for peaceful development; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army has continually been in the fore-front in the progress of American society; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army has maintained the highest and distinguished traditions of service to the people and the heritage of the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James B. Longley, Governor of the State of Maine do hereby declare June 14, 1975 as the

"200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY"

in the State of Maine, and urge all our citizens to join in the observances.



Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this Twenty-ninth day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-ninth.

James B. Longley

By the Governor
Markham L. Garthy

Secretary of State