



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

NAVY DAY

WHEREAS: The United States of America has the world's finest Navy and on Saturday, October 15, 2016, the men and women of the Navy will celebrate its 241st birthday; and

WHEREAS: The servicemen and women of the United States Navy ensure the free flow of commerce and information, in times of peace and in times of conflict. They ensure that all people of the United States and elsewhere have the opportunity to enjoy the freedoms and principles upon which our country was founded. Such bravery should be celebrated and recognized; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Georgia support all branches of the Armed Forces of the United States, and we honor their service with full and grateful hearts. Our state is home to more than 776,000 veterans, and we are honored that they choose to reside in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: The Annual Navy Birthday Ball will be held in Atlanta on October 15, 2016, and will recognize the patriotic sacrifices of all Sailors and Marines, living and dead, who have served our country with valor, determination, character, and unyielding patriotic spirit; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2016, as NAVY DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 21st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand sixteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

CHIEF OF STAFF