

Commonwealth of Massachusetts



A Proclamation

His Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

Whereas Sunday morning, December 7th, 1941, "a date which will live in infamy," the United States Navy stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, was attacked without warning by the Imperial Japanese Navy; and

Whereas More than 2,400 Americans died and 1,100 were wounded during the attack that marked the beginning of American involvement in World War II; and

Whereas The attack on Pearl Harbor brought the United States into a world war unlike any previous conflict. Servicemen and women, along with civilians, displayed utmost resolve and courage to win World War II, preserving freedom and liberty around the world; and

Whereas Today we pause in observance of the 70th anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor, and remember those who perished on that day and recognize those who are still with us today. The servicemen and women who were at Pearl Harbor displayed outstanding patriotism and courage and are an inspiration to us all,

Now, Therefore, I, Deval L. Patrick, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim December 7th, 2011, to be

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this seventh day of December, in the year two thousand and eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-fifth.

By His Excellency



DEVAL L. PATRICK
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts