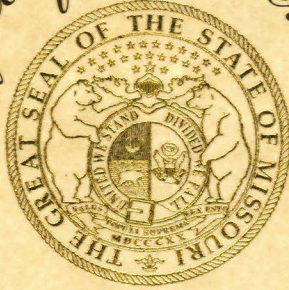


*Office of the Governor*



*State of Missouri*

*Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, on December 7, 1941, at 7:55 a.m., the Imperial Japanese Navy and Air Force attacked units of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 2,400 American lives were lost and over 1,100 were wounded in the sudden attack that Sunday morning, leading to America's entry into World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 450,000 Missourians served in uniform during World War II, and thousands of others contributed to the war effort by working on the home front; and

**WHEREAS**, commemorating the attack on Pearl Harbor instills a greater understanding and appreciation of the selfless service and sacrifice of the men and women who served in the United States Armed Forces during World War II; and

**WHEREAS**, December 7, 2024, marks the 83<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, which affords us an opportunity to honor approximately 6,800 living World War II veterans of our state; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Congress, by Public Law 102-308, as amended, has designated December 7 of each year as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2024, to be

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in Missouri, and encourage all citizens of this state to devote some portion of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day to solemn contemplation of the selfless sacrifice made by those who gave their lives for their country in the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. I do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff over the State Capitol and at all government offices throughout Missouri on Saturday, December 7, 2024, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.



*Michael L. Parson*

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

*Jay Ashcraft*

SECRETARY OF STATE