State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1941, Japanese fighter aircraft attacked American Armed forces at

the United States Naval Base in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, killing more than 2,400

Americans and wounding another 1,000; and

WHEREAS, President Franklin D. Roosevelt described this date as "a date that will live in

infamy," and in 2022, the state and nation are recognizing the 82nd anniversary of

the attack and the United States' entrance into World War II; and

WHEREAS, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is recognized in Vermont and throughout the

United States to commemorate the brave service members and civilians who lost their lives in the attack and to honor all World War II veterans for their service and

sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, almost 50,000 Vermonters were drafted or enlisted in the United States Armed

Forces after the attack, roughly 14% of the state's population at the time, serving in

all theaters of World War II; and

WHEREAS, Vermont joins veterans and all Americans in remembering those who were killed on

December 7, 1941, and in expressing sincere gratitude for the courageous and selfless individuals who have served and continue to serve in the United States

Armed Forces.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 7th day of December, 2023, as

PEARL HARBOR REMBERANCE DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Wermon, on this 7th day of December, A.D. 2023.

Philip B. Scott Governor

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs