

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim
August 9-16, 2015

WWII 70TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, The people of the State of Michigan honor nearly 615,000 Michiganders who served in the Armed Forces during World War II, remember the 10,263 who made the supreme sacrifice with their lives and thank the men and women who worked to protect the United States; and,

WHEREAS, On August 14, 1945, the people of the United States received word of the end of World War II and greeted the news of the Allies' noble victory with joyous celebration, humility and spiritual reflection; and,

WHEREAS, The victory marked the culmination of a national effort that defeated the forces of aggression, brought freedom to subjugated nations and ended the horrors of the Holocaust; and,

WHEREAS, These historic accomplishments were achieved through the collective service and personal sacrifice of the people of the United States, including both those who served in uniform and those who supported them on the home front; and,

WHEREAS, August 14, 1945, marked not only the end of the war but also the beginning of an unprecedented era of rebuilding, during which the World War II generation created an array of organizations that helped to strengthen American democracy by promoting civic engagement, volunteerism and service to community; and,

WHEREAS, The entire World War II generation, military personnel and civilians alike, has provided a model of unity and community that serves as a source of inspiration for current and future generations of Americans to come together to work for the continued betterment of the United States and the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim August 9-16, 2015 as WWII 70th Anniversary Spirit of '45 Commemorative Week in Michigan.

Handwritten signature of Rick Snyder in blue ink.

Rick Snyder
Governor

