

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Wyoming honor the 35,000 residents who served in the Armed Forces during World War II and remember the sacrifice of the 1,095 Wyoming service members who lost their lives during the war; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 1945, Americans celebrated the news of the Allies' victory and the end of World War II; and

WHEREAS, the victory marked the conclusion of a national effort to defeat aggressive forces, free subjugated nations and end the horrors of the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, August 14, 1945, marked the end of the war and also the beginning of an unprecedented era of rebuilding, during which the World War II generation helped strengthen American democracy by promoting civic engagement and volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, the civilians and military personnel of the World War II generation provided a model for unity and community that continues to serve as a source of inspiration.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby recognize August 14 – 16, 2015 as the

WWII 70TH ANNIVERSARY SPIRIT OF '45 COMMEMORATIVE WEEK

in Wyoming.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this day of August, 2015.



Matthew H. Mead Governor