



Proclamation

WHEREAS, we honor the nearly 140,000 Coloradans who served in the Armed Forces during World War II, we remember the 2,697 Coloradans who made the ultimate sacrifice, and we thank all those who worked to protect and defend the grand plains and the majestic mountains of our great state; and

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

WHEREAS, Colorado greatly contributed to the agricultural war effort by meeting the Agricultural Adjustment Administration's demands to increase hog production by 30 percent and cattle ready for slaughter by 18 percent in October 1941; and

WHEREAS, the people of Colorado and the United States received word of the end of World War II on August 14, 1945, and greeted the news of the Allies' victory with great pride and joyous celebration; and

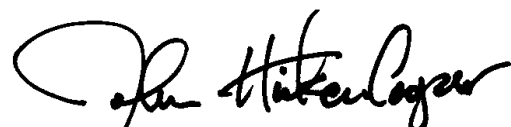
WHEREAS, the end of World War II marked not only the end of a period of great determination and sacrifice, but also the beginning of an era of unprecedented rebuilding where the World War II generation worked to strengthen American democracy; and

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

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the entire State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, forever after, the period between August 10, 2015 and August 14, 2015, as

THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WORLD WAR II WEEK
in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this tenth day of August, 2015


John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

