

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION UNITED STATES NAVY ANNIVERSARY DAY

WHEREAS:

The United States Navy was established by the Second Continental Congress on October 13, 1775, and has served our nation with honor and distinction from the American Revolution to World Wars I and II and continuing now into the 21st century as our nation responds to threats of terrorism at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS:

The Navy has played a vital role in the growth and prosperity of our state, and Georgia has been the proud home to the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, the Naval Air Station in Marietta and the Navy Submarine Base at Kings Bay; and

WHEREAS:

The brave and courageous men and women of the United States Navy enjoy support, admiration and love from their families, friends and fellow citizens as they risk their lives in service to our country and in promoting freedom and protecting democracy around the globe; and

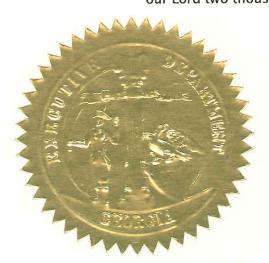
WHEREAS:

In commemoration of the 236<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Unites States Navy, the Annual Navy Birthday Charity Ball will be held on October 11, 2008, to recognize the sailors and Marines who have served our country in the seagoing forces; now

THEREFORE:

I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 22, 2011, as UNITED STATES NAVY ANNIVERSARY DAY in Georgia, and encourage our citizens to observe this tribute to the men and women of the United States Navy and remember with somber hearts those sailors and Marines who sacrificed their lives while defending and protecting our country.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 11th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.



Nathan Deal

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF