

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## **A PROCLAMATION**

## SPIRIT OF '45 70th ANNIVERSARY WEEK

WHEREAS:

On December 7, 1941, the largest war of all time and most defining event of the 20th Century began. On August 14, 1945, it was announced to the citizens of the United States that the war had reached its end; and

WHEREAS:

Following the announcement of the Allies' victory was a time filled with celebration, humility, reflection, and patriotism. This accomplishment was the culmination of a national effort that successfully defeated forces of aggression and brought freedom to subjugated nations; and

WHEREAS:

August 14, 1945, not only marked the end of World War II, but also began an unprecedented era of rebuilding. During this time, several organizations were created that helped promote civic engagement, volunteerism, and community service; and

WHEREAS:

All that was achieved during this time was a direct result of the sacrifice of those who served during this monumental conflict. The citizens of Georgia honor the men and women who placed their lives in harm's way to protect American values and preserve democracy for the world; now

THEREFORE:

I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim August 9–16, 2015 as SPIRIT OF '45 70th ANNIVERSARY WEEK in Georgia and encourage all Georgians to join in commemorating this significant time in the history of our state and nation.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen.

GOVERNO

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFI