



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**A PROCLAMATION
NAVY RECRUITING DISTRICT ATLANTA,
CHANGE OF COMMAND**

- WHEREAS: The United States Navy was founded 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 currently in the War on Terrorism; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Georgia is proud of its history with the United States Navy. It hosts the Naval Air Station in Marietta, NRD Atlanta and the Navy Submarine Base at Kings Bay; and
- WHEREAS: We are forever proud of the work of the men and women in the Navy. Our navy protects our way of life and we thank our Sailors, navy civilians and families for making the U.S. Navy the global force that protects freedom around the globe; and
- WHEREAS: Our sailors are taught courage and versatility as they meet challengers in their missions. Preventing wars is just as important as winning them. Therefore, the Navy's other duty is to return peace and stability after conflict and provide medical care for those in need; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2014, as the official CHANGE OF COMMAND ceremony and congratulate Commander Axel W. Spens as he assumes the helm as Commanding Officer, Navy Recruiting District Atlanta.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 27th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

CHIEF OF STAFF