



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, on June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress adopted the stars and stripes as our national flag; and

WHEREAS, President Woodrow Wilson issued the first Presidential Flag Day Proclamation on June 14<sup>th</sup>, recognizing our national flag as an important symbol and calling for a special celebration throughout the Nation as an expression of our devotion to liberty and justice and our sense of common purpose; and

WHEREAS, commemorating the adoption of the flag of the United States generates national pride in the United States, its history and its values and honors the men and women who serve our country; and

WHEREAS, the American people are encouraged to display our Nation's flag proudly on Flag Day as its presence throughout our history makes it a powerful symbol representing the historic course of our country and the struggles that were faced to establish our republic; and

WHEREAS, in 1949, a joint resolution of Congress commemorated President Wilson's initiative by designating June 14 of each year as "Flag Day;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

**JUNE 14, 2013**

AS

**FLAG DAY**

in New Jersey, and encourage all residents to join in celebrating the Flag of the United States of America on this 97<sup>th</sup> anniversary of President Wilson's historic proclamation.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this tenth day of June in the year two thousand thirteen, the two hundred thirty-seventh year of the Independence of the United States.

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