

State of Maine



WHEREAS, the issue of peace embraces the deepest hopes of all peoples and remains humanity's guiding inspiration; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations asked that the International Day of Peace be observed as a day of global ceasefire and non-violence, and invited all nations and people to honor a cessation of hostilities for the duration of the Day; and

WHEREAS, there is growing support within our state for the observance of the International Day of Peace, which affirms a vision of our world at peace, and fosters cooperation between individuals, organizations and nations; and

WHEREAS, global crises impel all citizens to work toward converting humanity's noblest aspirations for world peace into a practical reality for future generations,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN E. BALDACCI, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim September 21st, 2003 as

PEACE DAY

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all organizations and individuals in our state to commemorate, in an appropriate manner, the International Day of Peace, including through community service projects, cultural exhibits and performances, a moment of silence, religious services in our places of worship, and other education and public awareness activities in order to help establish a global day of peace in our homes, our communities and between nations.



In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this sixteenth day of September in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Three.

Dan Gwadosky

Dan A. Gwadosky
Secretary of State
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John E. Baldacci
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Governor