



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

150th ANNIVERSARY OF MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, on Monday, May 28, 2018, in cities and towns throughout our nation, Americans will join together to honor the fallen heroes of our Armed Forces on the 150th Anniversary of Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, in May 1868, Major General John A. Logan called for a nationwide day of remembrance to pay tribute to those who gave their lives serving our country, which would officially be designated Memorial Day by Congress; and

WHEREAS, over 1.6 million veterans of the United States Armed Forces currently reside in Florida; and

WHEREAS, our men and women in uniform have sacrificed their lives to maintain the security of our great Nation and the liberties we hold so dear; and

WHEREAS, members of our Armed Forces continue to work toward peace and prosperity in the world; and

WHEREAS, we must pledge to never forget the men and women of the Armed Forces who gave the ultimate sacrifice in defending our freedoms; we should express our gratitude to the families of our fallen warriors; we must keep faith with all those who have died for our country in the fight for permanent peace; and we must honor our unwavering commitment to all members of the Armed Forces.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by 4 U.S.C. § 7(m), as amended on June 29, 2007, and the laws and Constitution of the State of Florida, do hereby:

1. Proclaim Monday, May 28, 2018, as Memorial Day in Florida in recognition of all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our Nation; and
2. Ask all residents of Florida to pause for a moment of silence at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 28, 2018; and
3. Direct all National and State flags in Florida to be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until noon on Monday, May 28, 2018, in memory of the fallen heroes of our Armed Forces.



ATTEST:

Ken Ritzman
SECRETARY OF STATE

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 25th day of May, 2018.

Rick Scott
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