

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, since the late 19th century, each year in May, Americans pause to observe Memorial Day, a special day and National holiday since 1971 set aside to remember with dignity and admiration those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, our predecessors shaped the structure of our political system, set forth the groundwork for higher discoveries in science, technological, and medical research, started long-lasting traditions that enrich our heritage, and fought in wars so that future generations would have freedom; and

WHEREAS, on Memorial Day, it is important to cherish the memories of our friends and family members who have died, and to remember the contributions they made to improve our lives; and

WHEREAS, the veterans who fought and died for our country helped preserve the freedoms and rights guaranteed to all people under the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day provides us with the opportunity to reflect and honor the past, to renew and pass on our patriotism, and pay tribute to those who died in service to our country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 29, 2023, as

Memorial Day

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in honoring those who have died for this country.

Signed this 21st day of April, 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

Governor Jay Inslee

