

The State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty One

PORTSMOUTH PEACE TREATY DAY
SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

WHEREAS, under New Hampshire statute, September 5th is designated annually as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day; and

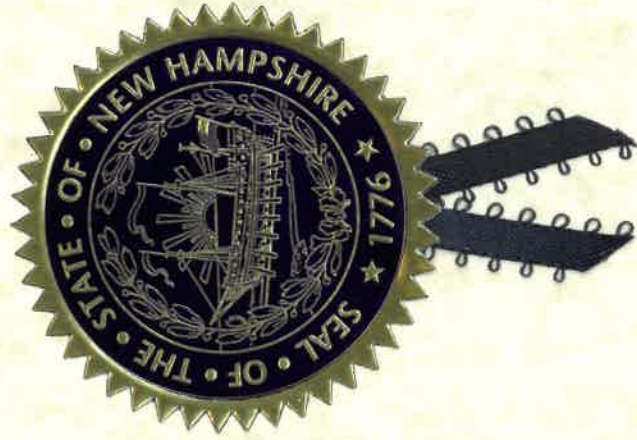
WHEREAS, Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day is intended to celebrate President Roosevelt's designation of Portsmouth, New Hampshire as a neutral location to host peace negotiations between Russian and Japanese delegations to resolve the Russo-Japanese War; and

WHEREAS, the United States Assistant Secretary of State, the United States Navy, and Governor and citizens of New Hampshire were relied upon by President Roosevelt to host and facilitate negotiations between the Russian and Japanese delegations; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of New Hampshire, in the spirit of peace, acted with diplomacy in their contributions to the negotiations and played an integral role in the outcome of the treaty; and

WHEREAS, the Portsmouth Peace Treaty is an important part of the history of the United States and the State of New Hampshire, which exemplifies citizens acting with respect and integrity on behalf of their nation to ensure peace;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR** of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **SEPTEMBER 5, 2021** as **PORTSMOUTH PEACE TREATY DAY** in the State of New Hampshire, and call on the residents of New Hampshire to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities commemorating this important part of New Hampshire history.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 20th day of August, 2021.

Christopher T. Sununu

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Governor