STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1332

Lowering of Flags in Honor of
National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

WHEREAS, more than 2,400 Americans, including American Pacific Fleet military personnel, were killed during an unprovoked attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, by Japanese forces during the Second World War; and

WHEREAS, these brave men and women made the ultimate sacrifice as a result of their dedicated service to the United States military, defending our nation in the face of this tragedy with resolve, determination and courage; and

WHEREAS, December 7, 1941, should be remembered in our nation's history as a defining moment when the American military stepped forward to protect our freedom, preserve our liberty, and secure the future of democracy for the United States and nations around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, by Public Law 103-308, as amended, has designated December 7 of each year as "National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day"; and

WHEREAS, President Barack Obama has proclaimed December 7, 2013, as "National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day" and urges all Federal agencies and interested organizations, groups and individuals to fly the flag of the United States at half-staff this December 7, in honor of those American patriots who lost their lives at Pearl Harbor:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a day of official remembrance in the State of Mississippi and do hereby order all flags of the United States of America and the State of Mississippi to be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction on December 7, 2013, in honor of the individuals in service of America's military forces who died as a result of their service at Pearl Harbor.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, the 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-eighth.

Phil Bryant

PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

C. Delbert Hosemann, Jr.

SECRETARY OF STATE
C. DELBERT HOSEMANN, JR.