

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, under the command of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, American and Allied forces joined together for the June 1944 invasion of Normandy, France, a crucial part of the noble mission to liberate Nazi-occupied territory; and

WHEREAS, more than 150,000 Allied forces, including 70,000 Americans, participated in the first landings in Normandy on June 6, 1944, the day forever known as D-Day; and

WHEREAS, a triumph over evil, these landings were vital to the liberation of France and contributed directly to the final defeat of the Nazis less than a year later, ending tyranny, oppression and the murder of innocents in Europe; and

WHEREAS, the American military service members who took part in these landings faced extreme danger from artillery, machine gun and rifle fire as well as heavy seas, yet they all did their duty and prevailed over the enemy to establish a firm foothold in France that could not be turned back; and

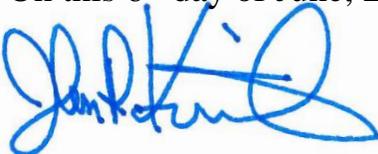
WHEREAS, we owe every veteran of that day, those lost in action and those who have passed on, gratitude for their extraordinary service for the cause of freedom, a debt that can never be fully repaid.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize the 70th anniversary of

D-DAY

and encourage all Ohioans to join us in honoring and thanking the veterans of D-Day for their steadfast courage, devotion to duty and triumph over nearly insurmountable odds to help turn the tide of war toward victory in World War II.

On this 6th day of June, 2014;



John R. Kasich
Governor



Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

