

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the USS CLEVELAND was commissioned more than 44 years ago, on April 21, 1967 and is scheduled for decommissioning on September 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the USS CLEVELAND is the third ship in the US Navy named for the great city of CLEVELAND, Ohio and is the third oldest ship in the US Navy; and

WHEREAS, the USS CLEVELAND is the fourth ship of the 11 ship AUSTIN Class of Amphibious Transport Dock ships, and has outlived all but two other AUSTIN Class ships that were built several years after CLEVELAND; and

WHEREAS, the longevity of the CLEVELAND's service is a testament to her many crews, who have worked tirelessly to keep CLEVELAND in excellent condition over these many years; and

WHEREAS, over the last 44 years USS CLEVELAND has completed more than 20 major deployments from her first deployment to the Gulf of Tonkin during the Vietnam War to the ship's final deployment as the lead vessel for Pacific Partnership 2011, the ship has established a truly impressive record of success; and

WHEREAS, USS CLEVELAND was frequently recognized for its outstanding performance with several awards, commendations, medals and ribbons.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate September 30, 2011 as

USS CLEVELAND DAY

throughout Ohio and encourage all Ohioans to join me in recognizing the USS CLEVELAND and her crew's accomplishments and acknowledging their contributions to the state of Ohio.

On this 30th day of September, 2011;



John R. Kasich
Governor

