

WHEREAS, the Continental Congress established a National Day of Prayer in 1775 to encourage colonists to pray for wisdom in forming a new nation; and

WHEREAS, in 1952 Congress approved a joint resolution annually setting aside a day to pray in our nation; and

WHEREAS, for more than 70 years, millions of Americans — from coast to coast — have gathered in prayer on behalf of our country; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is proud to be home to citizens of many faiths, and prayer has long been a positive force that unites Ohioans and serves as a source of inspiration and hope to countless individuals; and

WHEREAS, residents unite with fellow citizens to exercise their freedom to gather in prayer with thankfulness while seeking guidance, provision, protection, and purpose for the benefit of every individual and Ohio as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Ohioans are asked to lend their support during the 2025 National Day of Prayer by marking it with humble, unified prayer for the protection and blessing of America; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 National Day of Prayer theme is "Pour Out to the God of Hope and Be Filled;" and

WHEREAS, on this National Day of Prayer, many people of faith throughout Ohio will be praying for those who seek to be filled with hope, joy, and peace;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jim Tressel, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

on this 1st day of May 2025.

Mike DeWine

Jim Tressel
Lieutenant Governor