

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

*A Proclamation*

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DAY**  
**MAY 2, 2017**

*WHEREAS*, over the last 150 years, the University of New Hampshire has contributed to the state's quality of life through teaching excellence, cutting edge research and a commitment to public service; and

*WHEREAS*, the university offers New Hampshire citizens opportunities to learn from Fulbright Fellows, Pulitzer Prize winners and MacArthur Fellows at its campuses in Durham, Manchester and Concord, and maintains a remarkable 80 percent undergraduate graduation rate, far above the national average; and

*WHEREAS*, the university has grown and strengthened the state's workforce by graduating state and national leaders in business, the performing and cultural arts, science, health, public policy and dozens of other fields; and

*WHEREAS*, the university has improved the business and industry climate in the state by its service to employers through the Small Business Development Center, the New Hampshire Innovation Research Center, the Peter T. Paul Entrepreneurship Center and other outreach programs benefiting more than 4,000 businesses each year; and

*WHEREAS*, the university is a world-class research institution, one of the few-land-sea-and-space-grant universities in the nation, which secures more than \$100 million a year in competitive research funding used to transform lives, solve global challenges and drive economic growth; and

*WHEREAS*, the University generates more than \$1.5 billion in annual impact for the State of New Hampshire through increased business activity, tourism, employee earnings, research, volunteerism and more;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR** of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2017 as **UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DAY** in the State of New Hampshire in honor of the university's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

*IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2017.



*Christopher T. Sununu*

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