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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Proclamations

by

Governor John H. Reed

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the sudden death of Governor Clinton A. Clauson has shocked and saddened the citizens of this State, and

WHEREAS, Maine has lost by death an able Executive, a public spirited citizen and faithful promoter of its interests, and

WHEREAS, we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family, with the assurance that we share their personal sorrow, and

WHEREAS, we bow in submission to the decree of the Almighty which has removed from among us our honored Chief Magistrate.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John H. Reed, Governor of Maine, do proclaim the month of January 1960 as a period of mourning and order that the flags on all state buildings during that period be flown at half staff.

Given at the Executive Chamber at Augusta this thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and eighty-fourth.

JOHN H. REED,
Governor

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution to Provide Continuity of Government in Case of Enemy Attack.

WHEREAS, the Ninety-ninth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved March 26, 1959 and subsequently amended with reference to its submission to the voters by a Resolve approved June 11, 1959, proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

“Article IX of the Constitution is amended by adding a new section to be numbered 21, to read as follows:

'Section 21. Continuity of government in case of enemy attack. Notwithstanding any general or special provision of this Constitution, the Legislature, in order to insure continuity of state and local governmental operations in periods of emergency resulting from disasters caused by enemy attack, shall have the power and the immediate duty to provide for prompt and temporary succession to the powers and duties of public offices, of whatever nature and whether filled by election or appointment, the incumbents of which may become unavailable for carrying on the powers and duties of such offices, and to adopt such other measures as may be necessary and proper for insuring the continuity of governmental operations including but not limited to the financing thereof. In the exercise of the powers hereby conferred the Legislature shall in all respects conform to the requirements of this Constitution except to the extent that in the judgment of the Legislature so to do would be impracticable or would admit of undue delay.'" and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the eighth day of November, nineteen hundred and sixty, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on November twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and sixty, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 343,333 for, and 24,829 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John H. Reed, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the Constitution.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirtieth day of November, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eighty-fifth.

JOHN H. REED,
Governor

By the Governor:

PAUL A. MacDONALD,
Deputy Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the death of the 48th Chief Executive of the State of Maine, Carl E. Milliken, has saddened the citizens of this State, and

WHEREAS, Maine appreciates the services rendered by one of its most progressive Governors, a public spirited citizen who devoted many faithful years to State interests; and

WHEREAS, we extend our deep sympathy to his bereaved family, with the assurance that we share their personal sorrow, and

WHEREAS, the passing of the former Governor leaves us with a memory of one of the great men who have served our State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John H. Reed, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the period of May 3rd through May 10th, 1961, as a time of mourning and order that the flags on all State buildings during that period be flown at half staff.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this Third day of May, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eighty-fifth.

JOHN H. REED,
Governor

By the Governor:

PAUL A. MacDONALD,
Secretary of State