



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT DOVER

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER FIFTY-SEVEN

## RE: DECLARING FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2004 A LEGAL HOLIDAY IN REMEMBRANCE OF FORMER PRESIDENT REAGAN

WHEREAS, the people of Delaware have been greatly saddened by the death of former President Ronald Wilson Reagan, who passed away on June 5, 2004; and

WHEREAS, former President Reagan leaves behind millions of people, and countless Delawareans, who wish to respectfully mourn his passing, and recognize and celebrate his extraordinary life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, this Friday, June 11, 2004, has been declared a National Day of Mourning throughout the United States, and on that date there shall be a State funeral for former President Reagan; and

WHEREAS, many Delawareans wish to spend the National Day of Mourning and the occasion of the former President's funeral celebrating and remembering his life, and honoring his service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, the closing of State offices in honor of former President Reagan would be consistent with past actions to honor the memories of former presidents, as State offices were closed for the official state funerals of former Presidents Johnson and Eisenhower;

## NOW, THEREFORE, I, RUTH ANN MINNER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE DO HEREBY ORDER AND DECLARE, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2004:

- 1.
- Friday, June 11, 2004, is declared a State holiday pursuant to Merit Rule 5.1.1.

Public facilities of the State subject to my authority shall be closed Friday, June 11, 2004.



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Approved and adopted this  $\frac{gh}{2004}$  day of June,

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Governor

Attest:

Harriet N. Smica Mindso Secretary of State