



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee recognize the sacrifice of the members of our armed services and their families; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom; and

WHEREAS, we remember the families who have lost their loved ones in combat; and

WHEREAS, Navy Fireman 1st Class Paul E. Saylor of Johnson City, Tennessee, was killed on December 7, 1941 during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor; and

WHEREAS, Saylor was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which sustained multiple torpedo hits and capsized during the attack; and

WHEREAS, his remains will be returned to his native state and laid at rest in Johnson City, Tennessee on August 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful to finally welcome home this brave soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim August 20, 2021 as a

*Day of Mourning in Remembrance of
Navy Fireman 1st Class Paul E. Saylor*

and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this eighteenth day of August, 2021.

Bill Lee

Governor

Lee Dargatz

Secretary of State