



SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Proclamation

Presented this 25th day of July 2018

WHEREAS, throughout our country's history, the people of our great state and nation have worked together to ensure the preservation of the American ideals of freedom and liberty we enjoy today; and,

WHEREAS, American patriotism has endured through times of turmoil and times of peace, carrying our nation through the darkest days of history and strengthening our commitment to the ideals upon which our country was founded; and,

WHEREAS, in great reverence to the victims of the attacks on September 11, 2001, and recognition of the signing of the Constitution on September 17, 1787, Patriot Week is a time to celebrate the principles set forth by our Founding Fathers as well as the countless patriots, vital documents, speeches, and flags that helped make America the great nation it is today;

*THEREFORE, I, Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby recognize September 11-17, 2018 as **PATRIOT WEEK** and September 11, 2018 as **PATRIOT DAY** in Illinois to encourage all Illinoisans to renew their appreciation and understanding of America's spirit and reflect on the importance of patriotism to America's past, present, and future.*



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce Rauner".

Bruce Rauner
Governor, State of Illinois

