
State of Iowa
Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the application of reason, more than any other means, has proven to offer hope for human survival upon Earth, improving conditions within the universe, and cultivating intelligent, moral and ethical interactions among people and their environments; and

WHEREAS, those who wrote the Constitution of the United States of America, the basic document for governing the affairs of humankind within the United States, based it upon principles delineated within the philosophies distinguishing the historical Age of Reason; and

WHEREAS, most citizens of the United States purport to value reason and its application; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of every citizen to promote the development and application of reason:

THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2016, as a

DAY OF REASON

and I encourage all citizens, residents and visitors to join in observing this day and focusing upon the employment of reason, critical thought, the scientific method, and free inquiry to the resolution of human problems and for the welfare of human kind.




IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HERE-
UNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND
CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE
OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES
MOINES THIS 5th DAY OF MAY IN THE
YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND
SIXTEEN.



TERRY E. BRANSTAD
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:



PAUL D. PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE