

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** prayer is regarded by millions as the most important utterance of mankind for its benefit; and
- WHEREAS,** the State of Indiana and the United States of America can and will benefit from prayer by its faithful and prayerful residents; and
- WHEREAS,** it is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon, and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord; and
- WHEREAS,** insomuch as we know that by His divine law nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world; and
- WHEREAS,** we have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and
- WHEREAS,** we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us; and
- WHEREAS,** it behooves us, then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael R. Pence, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2014 as a

DAY OF HUMILIATION, FASTING, AND PRAYER

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 20th
day of February in the year of our
Lord 2014 and of the Independence
of the United States 238.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

Michael R. Pence