

## STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

With diverse landscapes and habitats, ranging from forests to coastlines, the Lone Star State is a land of great natural beauty with an array of native wildlife. Hunting and fishing have been intertwined with the history and culture of Texas since the beginning of this great state. To this day, Texas remains a premier destination for hunters and fishermen with abundant possibilities for challenging hunts and a bounty of fishing opportunities.

Texas is a land of great natural beauty and hunters and fishermen have long been at the forefront of vital conservation efforts. Many of these individuals have deep appreciation for the outdoors and a commitment to preserving wildlife, fish, and natural habitats for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. They are among the biggest supporters of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department that plays a vital role in managing and conserving the natural and cultural resources of Texas.

Hunting and angling are powerful forces for good in the lives of individuals, families, and communities, and these worthy pursuits are deeply rewarding. Linked with higher levels of perseverance, confidence, and self-esteem, these outdoor activities improve mental and physical health. Moreover, hunters and fishermen support the state's economy through the billions spent on outdoor activities in Texas each year.

In 1972, National Hunting and Fishing Day was established to recognize and celebrate sportsmen and women for their immense contributions to our state's rich hunting and fishing heritage and wildlife conservation. At this time, I encourage all Texans to learn about and participate in the time-honored traditions of hunting and fishing and to recognize the ecological, cultural, and economic benefits they provide.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim September 27, 2025, to be

## **Hunting and Fishing Day**



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this the 28th day of August, 2025.

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