

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY

Whereas, Delaware's longstanding tradition of hunting and angling continues to enrich communities, offering connection to nature, food security, and health benefits; and

Whereas, hunting and angling remain vital components of Delaware's cultural heritage, offering residents meaningful opportunities to connect with nature, promote food security, foster self-sufficiency, and support both mental and physical well-being; and

Whereas, Delaware's sportsmen and women were among the earliest conservationists, championing the creation of the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Division of Fish and Wildlife, and they play a vital role in conservation of the state's natural resources through license; and

Whereas, last year alone, Delaware's hunters and anglers contributed over \$12.5 million to conservation and supported the state's economy through outdoor recreation spending; and

Whereas, National Hunting and Fishing Day, established in 1972, honors the contributions of sportsmen and women to wildlife conservation and our shared outdoor heritage.

Now, Therefore, I, Matthew Meyer, Governor, do hereby recognize September 27, 2025 as NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY

in the State of Delaware, and encourage all citizens to celebrate the legacy and impact of Delaware's outdoor community.

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Matthew Meyer Governor