

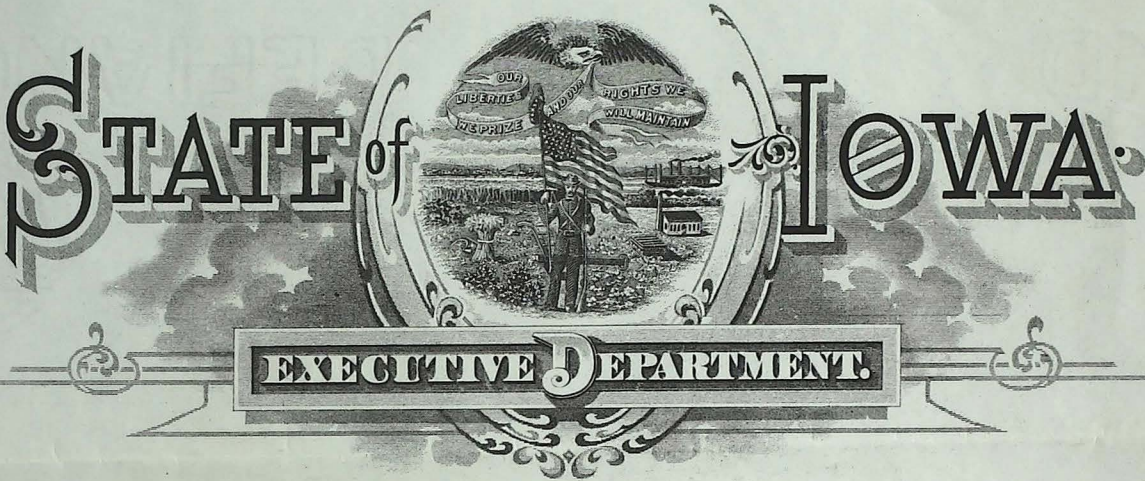
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## Official Proclamation by Geo. A. Wilson, June 15, 1942

George A. Wilson

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### PROCLAMATION

In the great battle for defense of human rights and the protection of peaceful homes a grave responsibility rests upon the 32 million fathers of America; and they are nobly contributing and sacrificing of their substance and of themselves to strike down the monstrous heresy that all but a few men are born to lives of servitude and shameful helplessness. Many of these fathers are on the far flung fighting lines and others on the way and all watchful of the home front to safeguard the sanctity of their homes and to uphold the lives and the spirits of their families.

All honor to the fathers in the military service, to those with sons marching to the front, to those whose wives and daughters cheer them on; more strength to their arms and courage in their hearts; may we be united as one family devoted to a common purpose.

I, Geo. A. Wilson, Governor, hereby designate, Sunday, June 21, 1942, to be celebrated as

#### FATHER'S DAY.

Appropriate services should be arranged in places of public meeting and the homes of the people, to make known our appreciation of the work of the fathers, in whatever way they may be engaged, and to encourage them in loyalty and zeal and willingness for further sacrifice. To the fathers of other years we owe the liberty we enjoy in America, and it is our hope to pass on to our posterity the tremendous benefits of our free institutions. Remember the fathers and pay tribute to them on Father's Day.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Iowa. Done at Des Moines, this 15th day of in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Two, of the State of Iowa the Ninety-Sixth, and of the Independence of the United States the One Hundred and Sixty-Sixth.

BY THE GOVERNOR:

