



Spencer J. Cox

Governor

Declaration

Whereas, the state of Utah is honored to have the presence of the United States Navy in our community and the thousands of sailors from Utah who have served or are currently serving in the active duty and Navy Reserves;

Whereas, the United States Navy, with its rich heritage and unwavering commitment, plays a pivotal role in protecting and defending our nation's interests on the vast oceans of the world;

Whereas, the United States Navy ensures the free flow of commerce and information on and beneath the sea lanes, and plays a pivotal role in supporting the safety and security of \$14.4 billion in annual exports from the state of Utah;

Whereas, the citizens of Salt Lake City and the state of Utah take great pride in supporting our namesake vessels, USS Salt Lake City (SSN 716) and PCU Utah (SSN 801);

Whereas, Utahns honor the heritage of the USS Utah (BB 31) battleship and the 58 sailors who lost their lives when it was sunk in the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941;

Whereas, the Salt Lake City Navy Week hosts special events and programs to increase the community's understanding of the Navy and its mission; and,

Whereas, Navy Week serves as an opportunity to express our gratitude and appreciation for the dedication, sacrifice, and exemplary service of the men and women of the United States Navy;

Now, therefore, I, Spencer J. Cox, governor of the state of Utah, and I, Deidre M. Henderson, lieutenant governor of the state of Utah, do hereby declare Sept. 11-17, 2023, as

United States Navy Week in Utah

Spencer J. Cox
Governor

Deidre M. Henderson
Lieutenant Governor