Proclamation of GOD’s people, called by His Name, Declaring a National Day of Prayer, and Repentance in these United States of America

September 25, 2022

WHEREAS, our Nation's first President George Washington stated in his Proclamation of October 17, 1789, "*It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor;"* and

WHEREAS, President Abraham Lincoln, in his Proclamation of April 30, 1863, a National Day of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer,expressed timeless sentiments that remain applicable today, including that *“it is the duty of nations, as well as of men, to owe 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 are blessed whose God is Lord …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 us; and 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! It behooves us, then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness…”*; and

WHEREAS, His miracles, working through His people, created this nation for a display of His Liberty to all peoples everywhere; and

WHEREAS, Godly roots in any nation need to be watered by the prayers and tears of His people, and by the sincere turning of their minds and hearts back to Him; and

WHEREAS, our forefathers held days of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer in excess of eight hundred times in the colonies, States and Nation, from the Pilgrims in 1621 during drought, to our ancestors holding such a Day in 1918, to help end the “Spanish Flu” and World War One; and

WHEREAS, each time such a time of sincere repentance was held, the Lord responded, blessing and healing this nation, honoring His Word in 2 Chronicles 7:14; and

WHEREAS, Recent events have given many a bitter taste of tyranny, unresolved racism, and rebellion, and the imminent risk of removing the Godly roots planted in this nation, to be replaced by national and global godlessness, destroying this nation; and

WHEREAS, Repentance, forgiveness, and preservation of Godly roots go hand in hand, and holding a National Day of Prayer and Repentance is a sign of personal choosing and national maturity, evidencing "in God We Trust;”

NOW, THEREFORE, We proclaim, and we invite whosoever will to proclaim, a National Day of Prayer and Repentance, on Sunday, September 25, 2022; and invite all, wherever located, to join His people in humble contrition on that Day, to turn from our ungodly ways, to repent of our national sins, and acknowledge our final dependence upon Him.