

STATE OF MAINE

—
**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN**
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**JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 6, 2013 AS
RONALD REAGAN DAY IN THE STATE OF MAINE**

WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, union leader and corporate spokesman and elected Governor of California and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan served with honor and distinction for 2 terms as the 40th President of the United States, earning the confidence of 3/5 of the electorate and being victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election for his 2nd term, a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, when President Reagan was inaugurated, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

WHEREAS, during President Reagan's presidency he worked in a bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government, which led to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to an active social policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to America's armed forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America and her values, which are cherished by the free world, and prepared our armed forces to meet 21st-century challenges; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people; and

WHEREAS, February 6, 2013 will be the 102nd anniversary of President Ronald Reagan's birth, and the 9th since his passing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, the Members of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Legislature now assembled in the First Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, recognize February 6, 2013 as Ronald Reagan Day in the State of Maine, and we urge all citizens of the State to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.