



City of St. Charles
I L L I N O I S

Proclamation

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

- WHEREAS,** more than 2,000 citizens of the United States were killed and more than 1,000 citizens of the United States were wounded in the unprovoked attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 by the Imperial Japanese Navy and Air Force; and
- WHEREAS,** the attack on Pearl Harbor marked the entry of the United States into World War II; and
- WHEREAS,** President Franklin Delano Roosevelt referred to the date of the attack as "a day that will live in infamy"; and
- WHEREAS,** the people of the United States owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to the men and women of our Armed Forces who served at Pearl Harbor, in the Pacific Theater of World War II, and in all other theaters of action in World War II; and
- WHEREAS,** the veterans of World War II and all other people of the United States of America will commemorate December 7, 2012 in remembrance of the attack on Pearl Harbor; and
- WHEREAS,** commemoration of the attack on Pearl Harbor will instill in all people of our country a greater understanding and appreciation of the selfless sacrifice of individuals who served in the United States Armed Forces during World War II.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Donald P. DeWitte, Mayor of the City of St. Charles hereby proclaim **DECEMBER 7, 2012** be designated as **PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY** calling on the people of the community of St. Charles, Illinois to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and to pledge eternal vigilance and strong resolve to defend this Nation and its allies from all future aggression.

SEAL:


Mayor Donald P. DeWitte