



WHEREAS, USA gymnastics and its member clubs across the nation annually celebrate National Gymnastics Day to showcase the sport of gymnastics and to encourage and promote physical fitness among out nation's youth; and

WHEREAS, gymnastics provides a great foundation for building strength, flexibility, and fitness and also for life skills, enhancing self-esteem and goal-setting abilities; and

WHEREAS, National gymnastics Day seeks to promote the value of physical fitness and good nutrition for everyone, regardless of age, gender and ability level, through the Tyson Fitness Challenge; and

WHEREAS, On National gymnastics Day, gymnastics clubs cross the United States partner with USA Gymnastics to heighten visibility of the sport and encourage participation at the grassroots level; and

WHEREAS, National Gymnastics Day aims to serve the greater community good by raising funds for the Children's Miracle network to provide comfort and assistance to children who are unable to provide for themselves; and

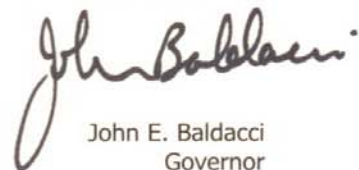
WHEREAS, collectively, our nation, our state, and USA Gymnastics strive to encourage greatness and achievement in our young people,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN E. BALDACCI, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim September 12, 2009 as

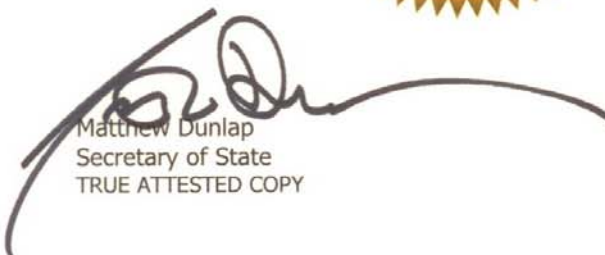
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throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this Thirteenth day of August Two Thousand and Nine.


John E. Baldacci
Governor




Matthew Dunlap
Secretary of State
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