



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

PAYCHECKS FOR PATRIOTS DAY

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is currently recognized as the most military-friendly state in the nation, with approximately 1.5 million veterans living in Florida; and

WHEREAS, Florida's workforce system, consisting of the Department of Economic Opportunity, CareerSource Florida, and the 24 Regional CareerSource Boards, is committed to serving veterans, National Guard members, Reservists, and their families; and

WHEREAS, these veterans employment representatives assisted 27,326 veterans in successfully finding employment during the past year alone; and

WHEREAS, 14,218 veterans have been placed in jobs since January 1, 2014, by these veteran employment representatives; and

WHEREAS, today's veterans offer Florida's businesses a multitude of benefits such as competent skills, education, leadership, maturity, and dedication learned in military service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing July 16, 2014, as *Paychecks for Patriots Day* in an effort to promote the availability of Florida's talented, well-trained veterans to Florida's employers and to increase Florida's visibility as the nation's most veteran-friendly state and encourage Florida's employers to hire smart—hire a veteran.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 14th day of July, in the year two thousand fourteen.


Governor