

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 23

A RESOLUTION HONORING DECEMBER 7, 2023 AS PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

WHEREAS, on December 7, 1941, the Empire of Japan suddenly and viciously attacked the Pacific Fleet of the United States of America while at Pearl Harbor in the United States' Territory of Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, this surprise attack resulted in more than 2,350 deaths, 1,178 wounded and brought devastation to the United States Pacific Fleet and its Air Forces; and

WHEREAS, December 7, 1941, a date that forever "lives in infamy," brought the United States out of isolation and into the Second World War to support the Allies, who had been fighting a bitter war in Europe for the two previous years; and

WHEREAS, this unprovoked attack kindled the righteous fury of the United States of America thus awakening the sleeping giant to become the Arsenal of Democracy for the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, through the untold measure paid in precious lives, the United States ultimately won the titanic struggle and achieved the final victory; and

WHEREAS, today, a new generation of brave men and women in uniform stand ready to oppose any threat to our Nation and the civilized world.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. The City Council honors December 7, 2023 as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day and urges all citizens to set aside time today to reflect on the bitter lessons learned, to honor the profound bravery of all those who served and to pay special tribute to those who gave their last full measure of devotion on that fateful day 82 years ago.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 28th day of November, 2023.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk