



RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida has a rich and long-standing heritage of hunting and angling, a tradition which predates the State itself and continues into the present day; and

WHEREAS, hunting and angling remain integral to the cultural fabric of Florida's communities, fostering a unique relationship to the land and a stalwart dedication to natural resource stewardship; and

WHEREAS, Florida's sportsmen and women were among the first conservationists to champion the establishment of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission supporting State efforts to conserve fish, wildlife, and their habitat, and to provide for healthy and sustainable natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeSantis has advanced policies affirming the value of these traditions, championing the 2024 constitutional amendment, approved by Florida voters, which enshrined the right to hunt and fish as a public right for all Floridians; and

WHEREAS the Governor has approved tax holidays on hunting, fishing, and camping equipment and reduced the cost of licenses and park passe, facilitating increased access to the outdoors for Florida residents; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeSantis has recognized those hunters, anglers, and conservationists whose work helps to sustain wildlife management, habitat protection, and the stewardship of Florida's natural resources, including through observances such as National Hunting and Fishing Day; and

WHEREAS, these efforts reflect a shared commitment to preserving Florida's outdoor heritage while ensuring that its fish and wildlife are managed responsibly for the generations to come; and

WHEREAS, National Hunting and Fishing Day was established in 1972 to celebrate and honor the profound contributions of hunters and anglers to fish and wildlife conservation and to our society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend support and encouragement to all observing September 26, 2026, as *National Hunting and Fishing Day in Florida*.



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 21st day of September, in the year two thousand twenty-six.


Governor