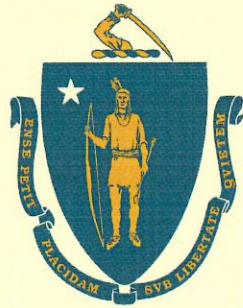


The Commonwealth of Massachusetts



A Proclamation

Whereas, Massachusetts is home to 275 summer and winter farmers markets that operate in every region of Massachusetts, including urban, suburban and rural communities; and

Whereas, Farmers Markets nourish communities by providing access to the freshest local produce, meat, dairy, fiber, prepared foods and other locally grown and made products; and

Whereas, Farmers Markets support farm viability and stimulate the local economy by allowing farmers and small businesses to connect and sell directly to consumers; and

Whereas, Farmers Markets are supported by a dedicated network of market managers, staff and volunteers who create welcoming community spaces and vibrant marketplaces; and

Whereas, Farmers Markets educate shoppers, including youth, on good nutrition, healthy food choice, and where their food comes from; and

Whereas, Farmers Markets address inequitable access to healthy food by facilitating the use of food access programs like SNAP, the Healthy Incentives Program, and the Farmers Market Nutrition Program, ensuring that fresh local produce is affordable for all,

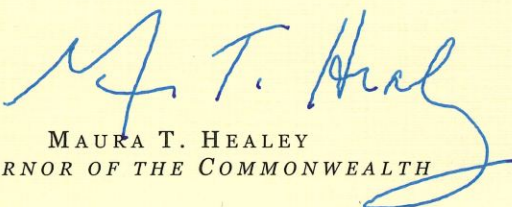
Now, Therefore, I, Maura T. Healey, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim August 3rd through 9th, 2025, to be,

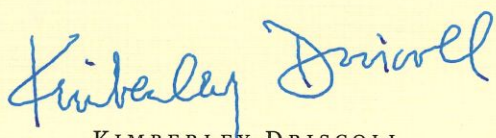
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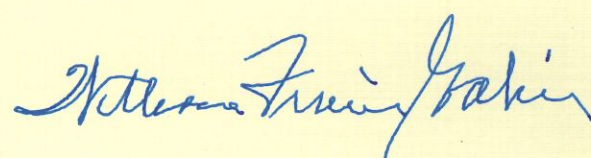
And urge all residents of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this first day of August, in the year two thousand and twenty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-ninth.

BY HER EXCELLENCY


MAURA T. HEALEY
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH


KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL
LT. GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH


WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts