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PROCLAMATION

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September 9, 2006, as "Admission Day"

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by the
Governor of the State of California

In 1848, Mexico signed a treaty with the United States that ended the U.S.-Mexican War and passed a vast portion of the Southwest, including present-day California, to the United States. Earlier that same year, gold was discovered on the American River near Coloma, and the ensuing gold rush and the flood of people entering the state contributed to California quickly gaining admission into the Union.

The land that became the thirty-first state on September 9, 1850, eventually grew to become America's most populous, most prosperous and most dynamic state. Its rich history has been shaped by people of numerous ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds, who traveled here seeking prosperity in an environment of incredible beauty.

With a reputation for excellence and innovation in fields such as agriculture, entertainment, education and technology, our thriving state is home to one of the most diverse economies on the planet. Equally as important, our economy has enabled us to be charitable and generous to our fellow Americans and to people throughout the world.

On Admission Day, we observe the anniversary of California's statehood and celebrate the many valuable contributions Californians have made to the prosperity and culture of our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim September 9, 2006, as "Admission Day."



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 7th day of September 2006.