

Approved March 15, 1988  
Date

MINUTES OF THE Senate COMMITTEE ON Governmental Organization

The meeting was called to order by Senator Winter - Vice Chairperson at  
Chairperson

1:40 ~~xxx~~/p.m. on March 14, 1988 in room 531 N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Vidricksen            Senator Francisco  
Senator Gaines                Senator Bogina  
Senator Johnston

Committee staff present:

Julian Efird - Research  
Jill Wolters - Revisor

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Dorothy Flottman

The meeting was called to order by Senator Winter who announced that because of another bill that took care of the problem, HB 2705 would not have hearings.

He then introduced Representative Flottman who addressed HB 2945 designating December 7 of each year as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in the State of Kansas. She distributed copies of her testimony and information on the 46th Anniversary of the Pearl Harbor Attack. (Exhibits A and B)

Representative Flottman explained that she had been asked to introduce this bill as an expression of gratitude to those members of the armed forces who lost their lives during the attack on Pearl Harbor. She explained that its passage would serve as a reminder to all Kansans to maintain vigilance and preparedness and appreciate freedoms because of the sacrifices made on December 7, 1941 by those who gave their lives and those who survived.

A motion to approve the minutes of the Marth 7th and March 8th meetings was made by Senator Strick. This was seconded by Senator Frey. Motion carried.

The meeting was then adjourned by the Vice-Chairperson.



STATE OF KANSAS

DOROTHY F. FLOTTMAN  
REPRESENTATIVE, SEVENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT  
815 EAST 9TH STREET  
WINFIELD, KANSAS 67156-2941



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HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS  
MEMBER: COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL  
INSTITUTIONS  
ELECTIONS  
PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE  
ADVISORY COMMISSION ON  
JUVENILE OFFENDER PROGRAMS

TO: Senate Governmental Organization Committee  
DATE: March 14, 1988  
RE: House Bill No. 2945 - PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thank you Chairman Vidricksen and members of the committee for this opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No 2945.

When several members of the Kansas Pearl Harbor Survivor's Association asked me to introduce a bill designating December 7th of each year as PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY, I was only too happy to agree to their request.

We owe a great deal of gratitude to those members of the armed forces of the United States who lost their lives during the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. In addition, we should commend the survivors who so capably performed their duties following the attack which eventually led to our victory.

Passage of the PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY bill would serve as a reminder to all Kansans that we should be ever mindful of our need to maintain our nation's vigilance and preparedness. It would also assure Pearl Harbor survivors that Kansans appreciate the freedoms we continue to enjoy because of the sacrifices made on December 7, 1941 by those giving their lives and by those who survived.

Mr. Chairman, thank you for this opportunity to speak in support of House Bill No. 2945.

*Dorothy F. Flottman*



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## Pearl Harbor Survivors Association,

GREATER WICHITA CHAPTER  
101 EAST 31st STREET SOUTH  
WICHITA, KANSAS 67216

February 24, 1988

### TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF BILL # 2945

Presented by: Dr. Howard P. Killough of Winfield, Kansas; Legislative Chairman for the Department of Kansas of the National Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and appointed by the Kansas State Chairman, Donald S. Spitzengel of Kansas City, Kansas.

Chairman Walker and members of the Government Organizational Committee. I appreciate the opportunity to be present with this committee to plea for the passage of House Bill #2945 sponsored by Representative Flottman and eighty other of your colleagues.

On December 7, 1941, I reported for duty at the Schofield Barracks Hospital and for the first two hours I was Triage officer, having the duty to examine casualties to determine which one would go to surgery next. After that I was called into surgery where I spent the rest of Sunday, Sunday night and into Monday morning. All of the aircraft on the Island of Oahu and practically everything afloat in Pearl Harbor was either totally destroyed or extensively damaged. The cost of materials was great, but the cost in human life and the suffering of those maimed for the remainder of their lives and those scared inwardly that time will not erase--there is no price that can be placed upon those casualties.

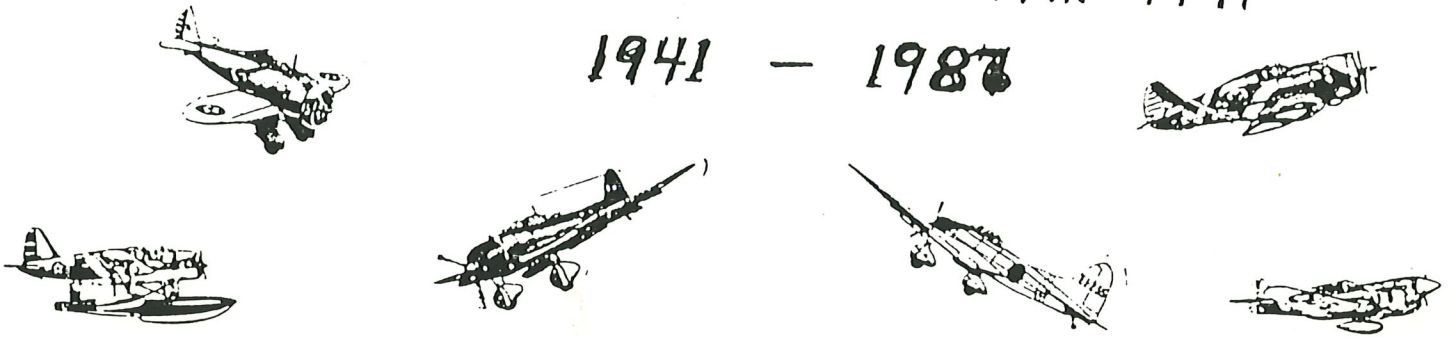
I have only mentioned those things to help us realize the importance of House Bill #2945 as an annual reminder to all Kansans through all time of the sacrifices that have been made that they might continue to have the freedom that we enjoy today.

This committee has within its power today to say "Yes, we in Kansas will Remember Pearl Harbor and Keep America Strong". I also feel that in your wisdom you will make that decision.

Again, thank you, Chairman Walker and all you Committee members for allowing us this opportunity to meet with you today, and a special thanks to Representative Flottman and the eighty Co-sponsors for their hours of preparation of this bill.

46<sup>th</sup>. ANNIVERSARY PEARL HARBOR  
ATTACK DEC. 7<sup>th</sup>. 1941

1941 - 1987



REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR - KEEP AMERICA ALERT!

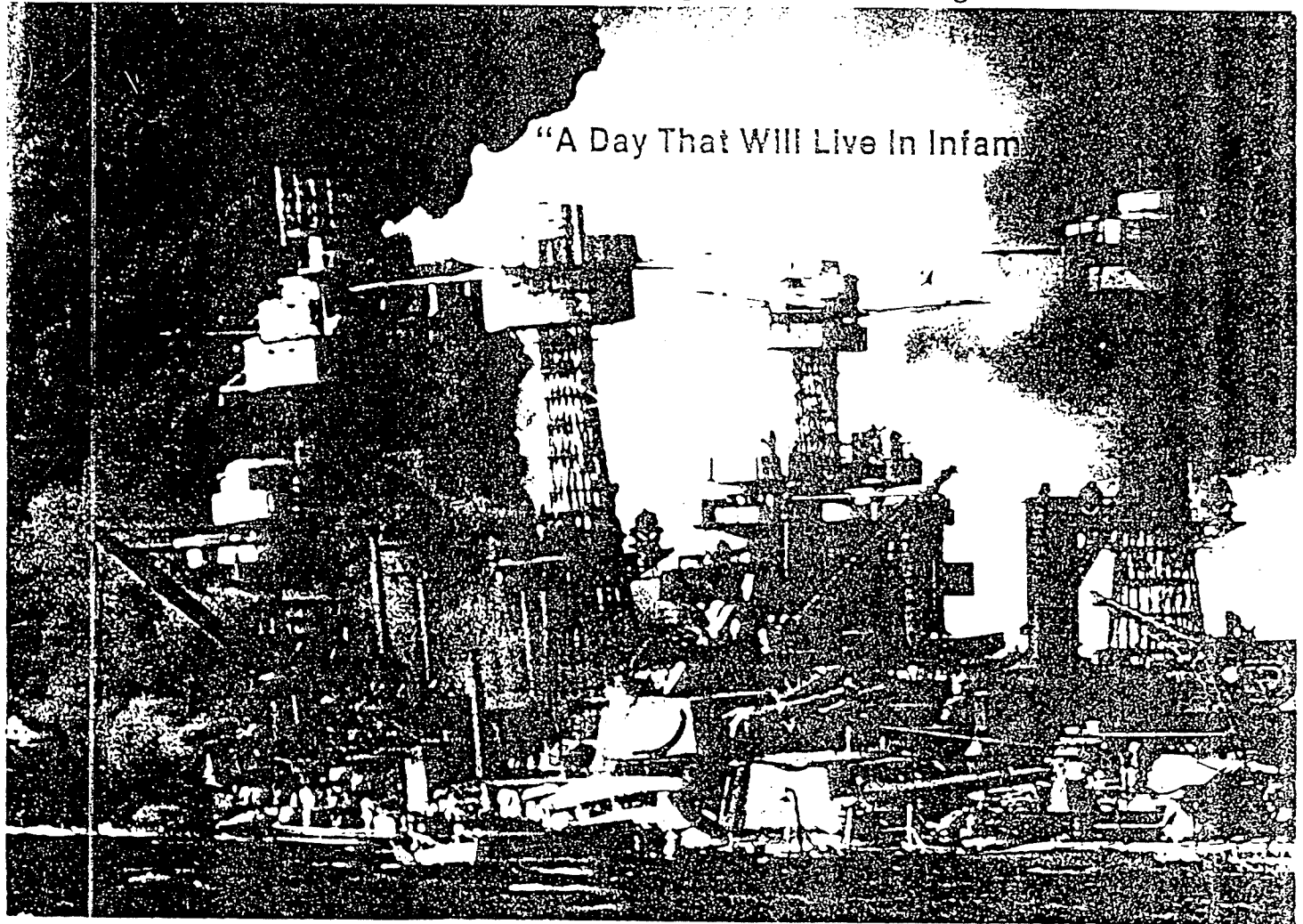
MOTTO OF THE P.H.S.A.



DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> 1941

WICHITA MILITARIA COLLECTORS CLUB  
JAMES D. DENISON

We must not allow the youth of America to grow up  
in ignorance nor the older generation to forget...



Colonel Dennis Devline of Little Rock, Arkansas recently sent Headquarters a clipping from the Sunday, December 6, 1981 Issue of the *ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT*. The headline read, "Pearl Harbor Query Stumps 1 In 6."

According to the article, a nationwide scientific sampling of 1,602 adults were telephoned in a poll conducted by the Associated Press and NBC News. They were asked the question, "Do you know why Pearl Harbor is important in American History?"

Sixteen percent either said no, said they were not sure, or incorrectly identified Pearl Harbor. According to the poll, less than two-thirds of the respondents who had not graduated from High School knew the significance of Pearl Harbor. More importantly, only seven out of ten in the eighteen to twenty-four age bracket knew why Pearl Harbor should be remembered. As shocking as it may seem, the poll revealed that one out of every six adult Americans cannot correctly identify that day President Roosevelt said would live in infamy.

In our travels around the country with CAF aircraft, and in talking with young people, we have seen evidence that some of the schools in this country are not adequately teaching their students the significance of certain portions of American history. We have suspected that some of our educators have neglected to teach their students of the accomplishments and sacrifices made by soldier and civilian alike during WWII. This period in our history, 1939 to 1945, should have taught us and the rest of the free world some important lessons.

We of the CAF have an opportunity to do something worthwhile for our country. As custodians of these airplanes, perhaps we should consider it an obligation. We must not allow the youth of America to grow up in ignorance nor the older generations to forget this, the most important part of our history since 1776.

The AMERICAN AIRPOWER HERITAGE PROGRAM can help fulfill that obligation.

MAJOR MILITARY BASES ON OAHU  
AS OF DEC. 7, 1941

ARMY\*

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS  
FORT SHAFTER  
FORT KAMEHAMEHA

ARMY AIR CORPS\*\*

HICKAM FIELD  
WHEELER FIELD  
BELLOWS FIELD

NAVY

PEARL HARBOR NAVAL BASE  
PEARL HARBOR NAVY YARD  
PEARL HARBOR SUBMARINE BASE  
COMMANDER IN CHIEF, U.S. PACIFIC  
FLEET (CINCPACFLT)  
KANE OHE NAVAL AIR STATION

MARINE CORPS

EWA MARINE CORPS AIR STATION  
MARINE BARRACKS, HAWAII

\* Plus many coastal defense batteries.

\*\*Plus several auxiliary airstrips.

Ship Losses:

Ninety-six ships were at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Of these 18 were sunk or seriously damaged.

Battleships:

ARIZONA--sunk, total loss.  
OKLAHOMA--sunk, total loss.  
WEST VIRGINIA--sunk, later raised and repaired.  
CALIFORNIA--sunk, later raised and repaired.  
NEVADA--beached, heavily damaged, repaired.  
PENNSYLVANIA--minor damage, repaired.  
MARYLAND--minor damage, repaired.  
TENNESSEE--minor damage, repaired.

Target Ship:

UTAH--sunk, total loss.

Light Cruisers:

HELENA--damaged, repaired.  
HONOLULU--damaged, repaired.  
RALEIGH--damaged, repaired.

HAWAIIAN AIR FORCE AS OF DEC. 7, 1941\*\*\*

TOTAL STRENGTH

754 officers, 6,706 enlisted men.

CASUALTIES	KILLED	MISSING	WOUNDED
HICKAM	121	37	274
WHEELER	37	6	53
BELLOWS	5	0	9
TOTAL	163	43	336

PLANES

AIRCRAFT	TOTAL	DESTROYED	USABLE
B-17D	12	4	4
B-18A	33	12	11
A-20A	12	2	5
P-40C	12	5	2
P-40B	87	37	25
P-36A	39	4	16
P-26	14	0	14
TOTAL	223****	64	77

\*\*\*Courtesy--Office of Information, 15th Air Base Wing (PACAF)  
Hickam AFB, Hawaii

\*\*\*\*Plus an assortment of observation and training planes.

HONOLULU DAMAGE  
EXCEEDED \$500,000

Destroyers:

CASSIN--damaged beyond repair.  
DOWNES--damaged beyond repair.  
SHAW--severely damaged, repaired.

Other Ships:

OGLALA (minelayer)--sunk, salvaged and repaired.  
CURTISS (seaplane tender)--severely damaged, repaired.  
VESTAL (repair ship)--severely damaged, repaired.  
SOTOYOMO (tug)--sunk.

Aircraft Losses:

US NAVY--92 lost, 31 damaged.  
US ARMY--96 lost, 128 damaged.  
JAPANESE--9 fighters, 15 dive bombers, 5 torpedo bombers.

6th Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-40
19th Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-40
19th Troop Carrier Squadron	Hickam Field	C-33
23rd Bomb Squadron	Hickam Field	B-17
26th Bomb Squadron	Hickam Field	B-17
31st Bomb Squadron	Hickam Field	B-17
42nd Bomb Squadron	Hickam Field	B-17
44th Fighter Squadron	Bellows Field	P-40
45th Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-36
46th Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-36
47th Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-36/P-40
72nd Bomb Squadron	Bellows Field	B-17
72nd Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-40
73rd Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-40
78th Fighter Squadron	Wheeler Field	P-40
86th Obsn. Squadron	Bellows Field	O-47/B-18
427th Bomb Squadron	Hickam Field	B-17
431st Bomb Squadron	Hickam Field	B-17
531st Fighter Squadron	Hickam Field	B-18/P-40

CASUALTIES — UNITED STATES

	KILLED	WOUNDED
ARMY	218	364
NAVY	2,008	710
MARINES	109	69
CIVILIAN	68	35
	2,403	1,178

CASUALTIES — JAPANESE

Less than 100, including airmen and midget submariners.  
One I-Class submarine was lost with an undetermined loss of men.

U.S. NAVY MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS

Bennion, Mervyn, Captain, USN  
Finn, John W., Lt (jg), USN  
Flaherty, Francis C., Ensign, USN

Fuqua, Samuel G., Captain, USN  
Hill, Edwin J., Chief Boatswain, USN  
Jones, Herbert C., Ensign, USNR  
Kidd, Isaac C., Rear Admiral, USN

Reeves, Thomas J., Chief Radioman, USN  
Ross, Donald K., Lt., USN  
Scott, Robert R., Machinist's mate  
first class, USN

Tomich, Peter, Chief Watertender, USN  
Van Valkenburgh, Franklin, Captain, USN  
Ward, James Richard, Seaman first class, USN  
Young, Cassin, Captain, USN

TERRITORY OF HAWAII

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is provided by Section 67 of the Organic Act of the Territory of Hawaii, approved April 30, 1900, that, whenever it becomes necessary, the Governor of that territory may call upon the commander of the military forces of the United States in that territory to prevent invasion; and

WHEREAS, it is further provided by the said section that the governor may in case of invasion or imminent danger thereof, when the public safety requires it, suspend the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus and place the territory under martial law; and

WHEREAS, the armed forces of the Empire of Japan have this day attacked and invaded the shores of the Hawaiian Islands; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to repel such attack and invasion; and

WHEREAS, the public safety requires;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. B. POINDEXTER, Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, do hereby announce that, pursuant to said section, I have called upon the Commanding General, Hawaiian Department, to prevent such invasion;

And, pursuant to the same section, I do hereby suspend the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus until further notice;

And, pursuant to the same section, I do hereby place the said territory under martial law;

And I do hereby authorize and request the Commanding General, Hawaiian Department, during the present emergency and until the danger of invasion is removed, to exercise all the powers normally exercised by me as Governor;

And I do further authorize and request the said Commanding General, Hawaiian Department, and those subordinate military personnel to whom he may delegate such authority, during the present emergency and until the danger of invasion is removed, to exercise the powers normally exercised by judicial officers and employees of this territory and of the counties and cities therein, and such other and further powers as the emergency may require;

And I do require all good citizens of the United States and all other persons within the Territory of Hawaii to obey promptly and fully, in letter and in spirit, such proclamations, rules, regulations and orders, as the Commanding General, Hawaiian Department, or his subordinates, may issue during the present emergency.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Territory of Hawaii to be affixed.

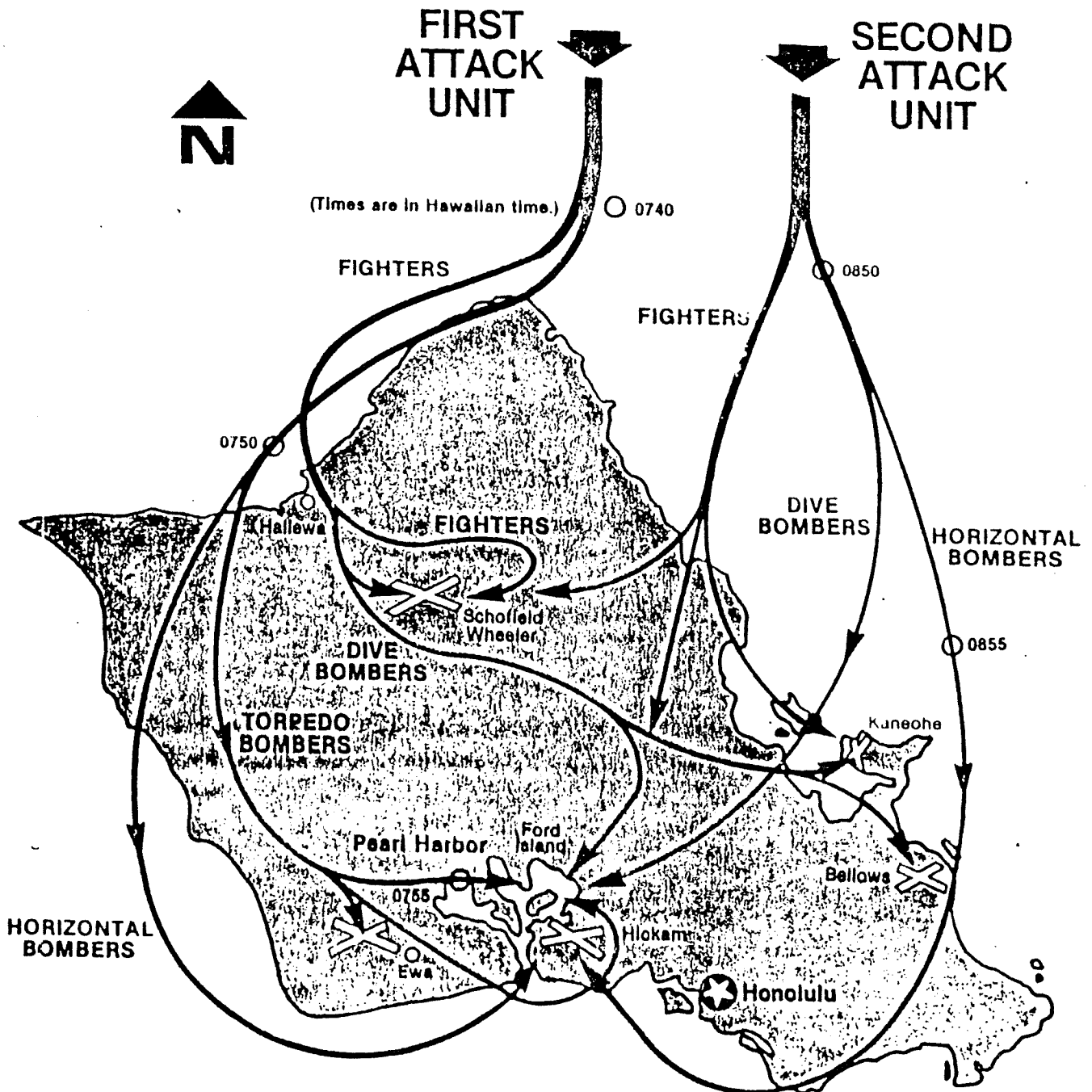
DONE at Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, this 7th day of December, 1941.  
(SEAL OF THE TERRITORY OF HAWAII)

J. B. POINDEXTER,  
Governor of the Territory of Hawaii.



# DEPLOYMENT OF JAPANESE AIRCRAFT OVER OAHU

(Fighters operated at v.)



MAP 5

STATE OF KANSAS



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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

State Capitol  
Topeka 66612-1590  
(913) 296-3232

Mike Hayden Governor

November 5, 1987

Mr. Joseph L. Nambo, President  
Wichita Chapter  
Pearl Harbor Survivors Assn., Inc.  
1740 Ellis  
Wichita, Kansas 67211

Dear Joe:

Thank you so much for the personalized Pearl Harbor Survivors Honorary Member cap. I certainly appreciate this honor.

It was a pleasure for me to sign the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day proclamation to commemorate this event in American History.

Sincerely,

Mike Hayden  
Governor

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Enclosures

STATE OF KANSAS



# PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, on the morning of December 7, 1941 the Imperial Japanese Navy launched an unprovoked surprise attack upon units of the armed forces of the United States stationed at Pearl Harbor Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, over twenty four hundred citizens of the United States were killed in action and almost twelve hundred were wounded in this attack; and

WHEREAS, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt referred to the date of the attack as "A Day that Will Live in Infamy"; and

WHEREAS, the attack on Pearl Harbor marked the entry of this nation into World War II; and

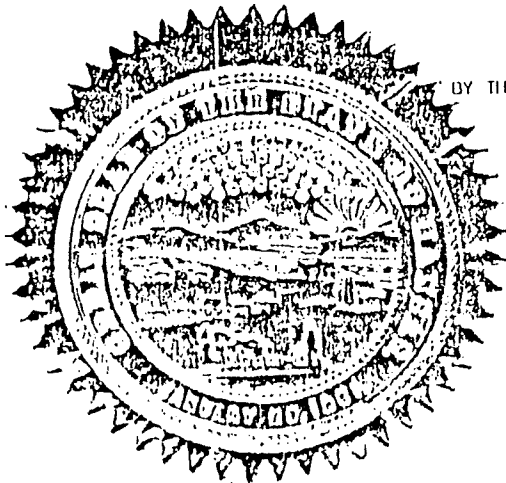
WHEREAS, we owe a great debt to those members of the armed forces who lost their lives in that attack, and also to those who survived and aided in carrying out their duties to the ultimate victory:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MIKE HAYDEN, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim December 7, 1987 as

### PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

in Kansas, and urge that people stop to think and to remember Pearl Harbor and recommend that whenever practicable, a short program commemorating this event in American History, be held in the schools of Kansas in order that pupils may become more aware of the true significance of this observance.

DONE AT the Capitol in Topeka  
Under the Great Seal of  
the State this 22nd day  
of October, A. D., 1987.



BY THE GOVERNOR:

*Mike Hayden*

*Bill Graves*  
Secretary of State

*John Vico*  
Assistant Secretary of State

# PROCLAMATION

of  
The City of WICHITA, KANSAS  
Founded in 1870

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WHEREAS, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt referred to the date of the attack as "A Day That Will Live in Infamy"; and

WHEREAS, the attack on Pearl Harbor marked the entry of this nation into World War II; and

WHEREAS, we owe a great debt to those members of the armed forces who lost their lives in that attack, and also to those who survived and aided in carrying out their duties to the ultimate victory;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Bob Knight, Mayor of the City of Wichita, Kansas, do hereby proclaim December 7, 1987, as

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

December 1, 1987

Date



  
Mayor - City of Wichita