



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, computer technology, an integral part of our culture, is changing how people interact with each other and the world around them, transforming industry, creating new fields of commerce, driving innovation in all fields of science and bolstering productivity in many economic sectors; and

WHEREAS, computer science is a foundational field for the digital age and underpins the information technology sector of our economy – a significant contributor to America’s economic output; and

WHEREAS, the outlook for computer science jobs is bright with one in every two STEM jobs in the country in computing occupations; and

WHEREAS, providing students the chance to participate in high-quality computer science activities exposes them to the rich opportunities in the field and provides critical thinking skills that will serve them throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, all students deserve a thorough preparation in computer science education, including access to the qualified teachers, technology, and age-appropriate curriculum needed to learn computer science at the elementary and secondary levels of education; and

WHEREAS, participating in an Hour of Code during Computer Science Education Week can serve to demystify the field of computer science and encourage more students to take up further studies of computer science; and

WHEREAS, Grace Murray Hopper, whose birthday is December 9th, was one of the first females in the field of computer science, engineered new programming languages and pioneered standards for computer systems that laid the foundation for many advancements;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim December 7-13, 2015 to be

COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION WEEK

in Idaho and I urge citizens to participate in the Hour of Code.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred fortieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-sixth.

C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE