

The State of New Hampshire
By His Excellency
Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Commendation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Four

DANIEL LUCIUS “DOC” ADAMS

WHEREAS, the state of New Hampshire recognizes the accomplishments and contributions of Daniel Lucius “Doc” Adams, a 19th century native of Mont Vernon who played an integral role in the development of our National Pastime; and

WHEREAS, upon the occasion of the Doc Adams Birthplace Classic being held in his hometown of Mont Vernon to continue to raise awareness of this overlooked baseball pioneer; and

WHEREAS, Doc Adams most lasting impact was that of baseball pioneer – player, innovator, and executive with the influential Knickerbocker Base Ball Club; and

WHEREAS, Doc Adams is credited with creating the shortstop position; and

WHEREAS, Doc Adams was president of the first baseball convention and chaired the National Association of Base Ball Players Rules and Regulations committee from its inception through his retirement; and

WHEREAS, as author of the “Laws of Base Ball”, Doc Adams is the person most responsible for our game of nine innings, nine players, and ninety-foot basepaths;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby commend **DANIEL LUCIUS “DOC” ADAMS** For his many contributions to the development and growth of our National Pastime.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 4th day of September, 2024.

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