

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-third day of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Editorial Note: For the texts of the President's message to Congress, letter to the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, and Memorandums for the Secretary of State, dated Oct. 23, 1979, concerning the U.S.-People's Republic of China trade agreement, see the Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents (vol. 15, pp. 1999-2006).

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Will Rogers Day, 1979

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

November 4, 1979, is the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of America's leading philosopher-humorist, Will Rogers.

His commentary on people and events in public life amused us all—and made us a little wiser, too. He judged people with penetrating insight, but with kindness and affection.

He once said, "I never tell jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts." The wit and the wisdom exemplified by that comment made this Nation a better place in which to live.

In recognition of his contribution to the enrichment of our lives, the Ninety-Sixth Congress, by House Joint Resolution 3, has requested the President to designate November 4, 1979, as Will Rogers Day.

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Sunday, November 4, 1979, as Will Rogers Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this second day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER