

**Proclamation 4945 of June 1, 1982****National Orchestra Week, 1982***By the President of the United States of America**A Proclamation*

America's 1572 symphony and chamber orchestras are among this Nation's finest cultural and artistic resources. Each year, our orchestras provide inspiration and enjoyment to more than 23 million people throughout the country.

This country's orchestras are internationally recognized as being among the finest in the world. They set the standards of excellence against which other musical endeavors are measured.

Orchestras contribute more to their community than fine concert music. Today, orchestras serve their communities in many ways. They reach audiences beyond the concert hall through regional and national tours, free outdoor concerts and benefit performances. In addition, orchestras offer educational programs which introduce school age children to the lasting beauty of music. Orchestras also cooperate in joint artistic ventures, thereby helping to support a multitude of additional arts activity in their communities.

The success of America's orchestras has been the result of the combined effort of skilled professionals and dedicated volunteers. It is their partnership with the government and the private sector which enables them to promote and produce music in their communities.

These orchestras provide the opportunity for American trained musicians and conductors to promote the performance of American music. The American orchestra both builds and preserves our Nation's heritage.

In recognition of the contribution of America's orchestras to the Nation, Congress has, by Senate Joint Resolution 145, requested me to designate June 13-19, 1982, as National Orchestra Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week of June 13-19, 1982 as National Orchestra Week and call upon all Federal, State and local government agencies, interested groups and organizations, and the people of the United States to observe that week by engaging in appropriate programs and activities, thereby showing their support of America's orchestras and the arts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixth.

RONALD REAGAN

**Proclamation 4946 of June 10, 1982****National Child Abuse Prevention Week, 1982***By the President of the United States of America**A Proclamation*

Each year, more than one million children are the victims of child abuse and child neglect. These children represent every racial, religious, and socio-economic group, and the suffering they endure poses a threat to our families and to our society as a whole.

Most instances of child abuse and child neglect are not caused by inhuman, hateful intent but by the accumulation of stresses experienced by parents attempting to meet their responsibilities. If parents can get help in coping with the pressures in their lives and if communities support preventive programs to assist parents and others responsible for the care of their children, young lives can be saved and suffering prevented.

The health and well-being of our children is and must continue to be one of our Nation's highest priorities.

The Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 149, has recognized the magnitude of the problem of child abuse by requesting me to designate June 6 through June 12, 1982, as National Child Abuse Prevention Week.

*Ante*, p. 112.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week of June 6 through June 12, 1982, as "National Child Abuse Prevention Week." I urge all citizens to renew our Nation's commitment to meet the serious challenge which child abuse and child neglect pose to the welfare of our children and families.

I especially invite the Governors of the States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; the heads of voluntary and private groups; and the offices of local, State, and Federal government to join in this observance. I urge them to encourage activities whose purpose is to prevent and treat child abuse and child neglect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this tenth day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and sixth.

RONALD REAGAN

**Proclamation 4947 of June 15, 1982**

**National Peach Month, 1982**

*By the President of the United States of America*  
*A Proclamation*

Peaches are a refreshing and nutritious addition to our Nation's diet.

Peaches are a \$365 million cash crop that bolsters the economies of 32 States.

The United States is the world's largest peach producer, providing more than 20 percent of the world's peaches and exporting approximately 250 million pounds each year.

In recognition of the role peaches play in our food supply and our economy, the Congress by Joint Resolution approved March 16, 1982 (96 Stat. 12), has requested the President to designate July 1982 as "National Peach Month."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim July 1982 "National Peach Month" and call upon the people of the United States to incorporate this nutritious fruit into their diets, and call upon interested groups to celebrate this month with appropriate programs and activities.