

The Congress, by House Joint Resolution 492, has designated September 1992 as "Childhood Cancer Month" and has requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim September 1992 as Childhood Cancer Month. I invite the Governors of the 50 States and the appropriate officials of all other areas under the jurisdiction of the United States to issue similar proclamations. I also encourage the American people to join with public health agencies, private voluntary associations, and other concerned organizations in observing this month with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this third day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and seventeenth.

GEORGE BUSH

**Proclamation 6470 of September 4, 1992**

**National Consumers Week, 1992**

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

American consumers enjoy access to a marketplace of goods and services that is unparalleled in terms of variety and quality. This thriving marketplace has been made possible by our Nation's free enterprise system, which provides opportunities and incentives for businesses to improve productivity and performance while generating the competition and accountability that lead to greater options for consumers. During National Consumers Week, we recognize that the decisions that consumers make help to encourage innovation and technological progress, thereby spurring our Nation's economy.

The theme of this year's observance, "Operation Wise Buy," underscores the fact that educated, informed, and responsible consumers have an important role to play in ensuring the success of our free enterprise system. Education, of course, begins at home: where we choose safe, healthy foods and products, where we teach our children the value of saving and investing for the future, and where we help them develop the knowledge and skills that are necessary to perform basic tasks such as reading labels and following written instructions, comparing costs and balancing a checkbook, and protecting themselves against fraud. By instruction and example, we can help our children to become wise, responsible consumers.

Recognizing the rights and interests of consumers as well as the impact that their choices have on the marketplace, the United States has been working to empower consumers of all social and economic backgrounds through education. By supporting consumer education and basic economic instruction in schools and other institutions, and by encouraging the dissemination of consumer-related news and information through government agencies, civic organizations, business, and

the media, we are giving consumers the tools they need to navigate successfully through the increasingly complex global marketplace.

Here in the United States, we have traditionally relied on consumers and private industry to balance each other's needs and interests in the marketplace, with government intervening only when it is required to ensure fairness and the safety of goods and services. As history shows, the strongest economies are those marked not by excessive government regulation, but by a philosophy of government, businesses, and consumers working together to build a brighter future for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim the week beginning October 25, 1992, as National Consumers Week. I encourage all Americans—particularly business owners, educators, public officials, consumer advocates and members of the media—to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities that emphasize the role that consumers play in keeping our markets open, competitive, and fair. I also urge them to highlight the importance of education in helping citizens to become responsible consumers.

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

GEORGE BUSH

#### Proclamation 6471 of September 12, 1992

#### Commodore John Barry Day, 1992

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

The members of the United States Navy continue a long and distinguished tradition of service to our country that began more than 200 years ago during our Nation's War for Independence, when a small yet tenacious American fleet achieved several key victories against powerful British forces. Those victories were made possible, in large part, by the extraordinary courage and seamanship of leaders such as Commodore John Barry, whose legacy we celebrate today.

As one of the first and most successful captains of the Continental Navy, John Barry set standards of bravery and selflessness that generations of U.S. naval personnel have since strived to emulate. Under his command in April 1776, the crew of the brig LEXINGTON achieved the first capture in battle of a British vessel by a regularly commissioned American warship. Captain Barry continued to serve with distinction throughout the long war at sea, taking part in the last American naval victory of the Revolution when he led the frigate ALLIANCE against the HMS SYBILLE in March 1783. During that 7-year period, which included action as an Army artillery officer at the Battle of Trenton, Captain Barry earned the respect of General George Washington, who commended his "gallantry and address." Ironically, perhaps, Captain Barry also earned the admiration of the enemy, which, through