

## WORLD TRADE WEEK, 1954

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

May 8, 1954  
[No. 3054]

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS it is essential for the peace and security of the free world that our Nation and its friends throughout the world maintain and increase their individual and combined economic strength; and

WHEREAS the growth and prosperity of the nations of the free world depend to a significant degree upon the continued expansion of the exchange of their goods and services in world markets; and

WHEREAS mutual economic advantages accrue to buyer and seller, to producer and consumer, and to individuals and nations through the exchange of goods and services in world trade:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 16, 1954, as World Trade Week; and I request the appropriate officials of the Federal Government and of the several States, Territories, possessions, and municipalities of the United States to cooperate in the observance of that week.

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1954.

I also urge business, labor, agricultural, educational, and civic groups, as well as the people of the United States generally, to observe World Trade Week with gatherings, discussions, exhibits, ceremonies, and other appropriate activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and of the [SEAL] Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES  
*Secretary of State*

## NATIONAL MARITIME DAY, 1954

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

May 8, 1954  
[No. 3055]

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the American Merchant Marine continues to further the economic welfare of the United States by its promotion of international trade and travel, and continues to render vital service in the strengthening of our national security; and

WHEREAS present world conditions require that the American Merchant Marine, as well as all other branches of our industry and economy, be ready at all times to serve in defense of the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS the Congress by a joint resolution approved May 20, 1933 (48 Stat. 73), designated May 22 as National Maritime Day, thus honoring our Merchant Marine by commemorating the departure from Savannah, Georgia, on May 22, 1819, of the *Savannah* on the first transoceanic voyage by any steamship, and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually calling for the observance of that day:

36 USC 145.

National Maritime  
Day, 1954.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon the people of the United States to observe Saturday, May 22, 1954, as National Maritime Day by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes or other suitable places; and I direct the appropriate officials of the Government to arrange for the display of the flag on all Government buildings on that day. I also request that all ships sailing under the American flag dress ship on the designated day in honor of our Merchant Marine.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and of the [SEAL] Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES  
*Secretary of State*

#### PRAYER FOR PEACE, MEMORIAL DAY, 1954

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS May thirtieth has long been a day of public memorial, dedicated to paying homage to our friends and relatives who gave their lives in war for their country and for the cause of peace; and

WHEREAS in memory of their sacrifices in this noble cause, we should keep faith with our heroic dead by humbly and devoutly supplicating Almighty God for guidance in our efforts to achieve a peaceful world; and

WHEREAS in manifestation of our longing for concord among nations, the Congress provided, in a joint resolution approved May 11, 1950, that Memorial Day should be set aside as a day for Nationwide prayer for permanent peace, and requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day in that manner:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Memorial Day, Sunday, the thirtieth of May, 1954, as a day of prayer for permanent peace, and I designate the hour beginning in each locality at eleven o'clock in the morning as a period in which the people of the United States may solemnly join in prayer for God's help in reaching the coveted goal of amity among nations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 27th day of May in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and of the [SEAL] Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-eighth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES  
*Secretary of State*

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Memorial Day,  
1954.  
Prayer for peace.