NATIONAL OLYMPIC DAY, 1955

October 18, 1955
[No. 3119]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the XVIth Olympic Games of the modern era will be held in Melbourne, Australia, beginning November 22 and ending December 8, 1956, with the Winter Games to be held at Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy, from January 26 to February 5, 1956; and

WHEREAS the Olympic Games have imbued competitors and spectators alike with ideals of friendship, chivalry, and comradeship, thus contributing to common understanding and mutual respect among the peoples of the world; and

WHEREAS the Congress by a joint resolution approved August 4, 1955 (69 Stat. 470), calls attention to the fact that the United States Olympic Association is engaged in assuring maximum support for the United States teams which will compete with young men and women from more than seventy nations in the forthcoming athletic contests; and

WHEREAS the said joint resolution requests the President to issue a proclamation designating the twenty-second day of October, 1955, as National Olympic Day:

National Olympic Day, 1955.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Saturday, October 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day; and I urge all of our citizens to do their utmost in support of the XVIth Olympic Games and the Winter Games to be held in 1956, to the end that our Nation may be able to send an adequate number of representatives to participate in these games.

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 eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five, [SEAL] and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eightieth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:
JOHN FOSTER DULLES,
Secretary of State.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, 1955

October 18, 1955
[No. 3120]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS all of those whom we have revered as leaders throughout our history have been wont to turn to Almighty God in thanks for His providence and in suppliance for His guidance; and

WHEREAS it is fitting that we of this generation, who are the heirs of their handiwork, should emulate those inspired builders of our Nation and should turn our hearts and minds to things spiritual; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that prayer has been a vital force in the growth and development of our country, the Congress, by a