

FLAG DAY, 1959

June 10, 1959
[No. 3299]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS on June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress resolved "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white: that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation"; and

WHEREAS the flag's original field of stars has expanded with the passing years as our Nation has grown and prospered under the principles of liberty, justice, and representative government; and

WHEREAS it is fitting that on the anniversary of its origin we pay especial honor to the Stars and Stripes, which stands for the basic principles of our Republic; and

WHEREAS the Congress, by a joint resolution approved August 3, 1949 (63 Stat. 492), designated June 14 of each year as Flag Day and requested the President to issue annually a proclamation calling for the observance of that day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Sunday, June 14, 1959, to be Flag Day; and I call upon the responsible officials of the Federal Government and of the State and local governments to arrange for the display of the flag on all public buildings on that day.

I also urge the people of the United States to observe Flag Day by flying the flag at their homes and other suitable places and by organizing and participating in appropriate services and ceremonies.

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 tenth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, and of [SEAL] the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-third.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

DOUGLAS DILLON,
Acting Secretary of State.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK, 1959

June 15, 1959
[No. 3300]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the education of our citizens has been a powerful and unifying force in bringing America to its present greatness; and

WHEREAS we must always defend and maintain—and employ—that greatness for ourselves and for our allies in the Free World; and

WHEREAS the lessons of today emphasize the fact that individual freedom, responsible democracy, and a rising level of living demand the full strength of a highly trained and dedicated citizenry:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the period from November 8 through November 14, 1959, as American Education

Week; and I urge citizens throughout the Nation to participate actively in the observance of that week in their schools and communities.

Let us display to the world and to ourselves our pride in this primary instrument of democracy—public education—complemented by private education, which is supported by the willing sacrifices of each citizen and which benefits all. This we can do by giving our loyal and intelligent support to our schools and to the teachers who have dedicated their lives to the advancement of their students, the children of America.

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 fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-third.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

DOUGLAS DILLON,
Acting Secretary of State.

HUDSON-CHAMPLAIN CELEBRATIONS

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

June 25, 1959
[No. 3301]

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the year 1959 marks the three hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the exploratory voyages of Henry Hudson and Samuel de Champlain on the waters which now bear their names; and

WHEREAS these voyages signaled the beginning of settlements along the Hudson River and in the region of Lake Champlain which have contributed much to the commerce, culture, and traditions of our land; and

WHEREAS the Congress by an act approved August 8, 1958 (72 Stat. 544), established the Hudson-Champlain Celebration Commission "to develop and execute suitable plans for the celebration, in 1959, of the three hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the exploratory voyages in 1609 of Henry Hudson and Samuel de Champlain"; and by a joint resolution approved June 25, 1959, has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation designating 1959 as the year of the Hudson-Champlain Celebrations and calling upon all citizens to join in commemorating the explorations carried out by these heroic men:

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate 1959 as the year of the Hudson-Champlain Celebrations; and I invite my fellow citizens to join in commemorating the heroic deeds of these pioneer explorers.

I also urge our schools, patriotic and historical societies, and civic and religious organizations to participate in the commemoration of these historic explorations, and to afford all of the people of the United States an opportunity to mark this anniversary with appropriate ceremonies, celebrations, and festivals.

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