

GENERAL PULASKI'S MEMORIAL DAY, 1961

By the President of the United States
of America

September 18, 1961
[No. 3429]

A Proclamation

WHEREAS the one hundred eighty-second anniversary of the death of Casimir Pulaski during the American Revolution brings to mind the heroic contribution of that great Polish patriot to the cause of our freedom and independence; and

WHEREAS General Pulaski's brilliant leadership and courage at Brandywine, Charleston, and Savannah deserve the everlasting admiration and gratitude of our Nation; and

WHEREAS our country owes much also to the loyalty and enterprising spirit of millions of our citizens of Polish descent; and

WHEREAS it is fitting that we acknowledge our debt to General Pulaski and his countrymen and honor the memory of the gallant Polish patriot:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Wednesday, October 11, 1961, as General Pulaski's Memorial Day; and I direct the appropriate officials of the Federal Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on that day.

I also invite the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies in honor of the memory of General Pulaski and the noble cause for which he gave his life.

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 September in the year

of our Lord nineteen hundred
 [SEAL] and sixty-one and of the Inde-
 pendence of the United States
 of America the one hundred and eighty-
 sixth.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

By the President:

CHESTER BOWLES,
Acting Secretary of State.

DEATH OF DAG HAMMARSKJOLD

By the President of the United States
 of America
 A Proclamation

September 19, 1961
 [No. 3430]

WHEREAS the world has suffered a grievous loss in the untimely death of Dag Hammarskjold; and

WHEREAS this eminent statesman was a leader in the eternal struggle of man to achieve a peaceful world; and

WHEREAS, as Secretary General of the United Nations since 1953, by his courage, his wisdom, his statesmanship, and his personal dedication to the fulfillment of the never-ceasing quest for peace and justice, he earned the respect and gratitude of all men of good will throughout the world; and

WHEREAS his life was an example for all of us and his death will require that our efforts and sacrifices in the cause of peace be redoubled:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, in honor and tribute to this great statesman of the world, do hereby direct that the appropriate officials arrange for the display of the National Flag at half-staff on all Government buildings of the United States until the body of Dag Hammarskjold is laid to rest. I also direct that, for the same length of time, the representatives of the United States in foreign countries shall make similar arrangements for the display of the Flag at half-staff over all embassies, legations, consular offices, and military facilities.