

and peace, and to assure a full and abundant life for all people should be expressly recognized:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the period from November 11 through November 17, 1962, as American Education Week.

I urge all citizens to give special attention during that week to the aims and purposes of education and the programs and problems of our schools and colleges. We should examine the quality of our educational institutions and assess the degree to which our educational programs and practices serve the interests of the individual and bring vitality and strength to our Nation and its culture. Every American should be fully committed to the advancement of education.

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 seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-two,
[SEAL] and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-seventh.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

By the President:

DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.

Proclamation 3493

VETERANS DAY, 1962

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

September 19, 1962

WHEREAS we are deeply conscious of the debt we owe to the men and women of our Nation who served in our armed forces during times of conflict, thereby preserving our heritage of freedom and advancing the cause of world peace; and

WHEREAS the continued devotion and adherence to the highest ideals of citizenship by our veterans has been inspirational to us in peacetime as well as in time of war; and

WHEREAS the eleventh of November has been dedicated to the cause of world peace by the Congress and has been designated as a legal holiday to be known as Veterans Day (Act of May 13, 1938, 52 Stat. 351, as amended (5 U.S.C. 87a)):

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, do hereby invite my fellow citizens to join with me on Sunday, November 11, 1962, in observing Veterans Day by attending and participating in ceremonies which will demonstrate our continued desire for world peace and our heartfelt gratitude to our veterans whose service and sacrifice has advanced the cause of peace.

I direct the appropriate officials of the Federal Government to arrange for the display of the flag of the United States on all public buildings on Veterans Day.

I also call upon officials of the Federal Government and of the State Governments, as well as upon local officials, to cooperate fully with the Veterans Day National Committee and interested patriotic organi-

zations in their efforts to make clear to all our people the true significance of Veterans Day.

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 nineteenth day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-two, [SEAL] and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-seventh.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

By the President:

DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.

Proclamation 3494

NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation

September 20, 1962

WHEREAS October 1962 marks the beginning of the fiftieth anniversary observance of the founding of the National Safety Council; and

WHEREAS the Council has striven faithfully during this half century to develop and implement sound, effective programs directed toward the prevention of accidents of all kinds; and

WHEREAS there has been a notable and steady decline in the rates of accidental death and injury as a result of such national programs of the organized safety movement; and

WHEREAS this decline in accident rates demonstrates the value of nationwide safety activities as carried on under the leadership of the National Safety Council; and

WHEREAS the Council, as a guardian of the public interest, has proved its dedication to the safety and welfare of the Nation's citizens, as set forth in its Federal charter; and

WHEREAS the Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 222, approved September 20, 1962, requested the President to issue a proclamation designating the period October 1962 through October 1963 as National Safety Council Fiftieth Anniversary Year;

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the period October 1962 through October 1963 as National Safety Council Fiftieth Anniversary Year, in recognition of the role of the National Safety Council in our way of life; and I urge the Governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, and mayors of cities to issue similar proclamations.

I also ask the appropriate officials of the Federal, State, and local governments, as well as public and private organizations and the general public, to join in observance of this significant occasion, and to increase their efforts to reduce the number of accidents in homes, in industry, in public places, and on our streets and highways.

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