

of December 17, 1963, with ceremonies and activities designed to commemorate the achievements of the Wright brothers and to further and stimulate interest in aviation in this country.

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 December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-three, [SEAL] and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-eighth.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

By the President:

GEORGE W. BALL,
Acting Secretary of State.

Proclamation 3566

AMERICAN HEART MONTH, 1964

By the President of the United States of America

December 30, 1963

A Proclamation

WHEREAS diseases of the heart and the circulatory system are responsible for over one-half the deaths occurring annually; and

WHEREAS over one-half of the ten million Americans afflicted by the cardiovascular diseases are stricken during their most productive years, thereby causing a staggering physical and economic loss to the nation; and

WHEREAS expanded research has contributed improved methods of prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of the cardiovascular diseases; and

WHEREAS substantial progress in combating those diseases is being made by comprehensive educational and community programs which have brought about swift and wide dissemination and use of such improved methods; and

WHEREAS these programs of research and education have resulted largely from the teamwork between the American Heart Association, its chapters and affiliates, and the Federal Government, particularly the Public Health Service through the National Heart Institute and the Heart Disease Control Program; and

WHEREAS the results thus far achieved in combating the cardiovascular diseases give hope that the continuation and expansion of these programs may eventually eliminate these diseases as important causes of death; and

WHEREAS it is essential to the health and well-being of our nation that our citizens be made aware of the medical, social, and economic aspects of the problem of cardiovascular diseases, and the measures being taken to combat them; and

WHEREAS the Congress, by joint resolution approved December 30, 1963, has requested the President to issue annually a proclamation designating February as American Heart Month:

Ante, p. 843.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America do hereby proclaim the month of February 1964 as American Heart Month; and I invite the governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to issue similar proclamations.

I urge the people of the United States to give heed to the nationwide problem of the heart and blood-vessel diseases, and to support the programs required to bring about its solution.

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 30th day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-three, and of [SEAL] the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-eighth.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

By the President:

DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.

Proclamation 3567

SAVE YOUR VISION WEEK, 1964

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

WHEREAS blindness is a major and increasing social and economic problem in the United States in spite of the great advances in the last two decades in medical care, vastly improved health, and increased longevity of our people; and

WHEREAS visual disorders and defects in our younger population interfere with their proper intellectual, social, and emotional development; and

WHEREAS it is essential to the health of our Nation that our citizens be aware of what is being done and what can be done to control the causes of blindness and visual impairments, and that they avail themselves of opportunities for conserving vision; and

WHEREAS the Congress, by a joint resolution approved December 30, 1963, has requested the President to issue annually a proclamation designating the first week in March of each year as Save Your Vision Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week beginning March 1, 1964, as Save Your Vision Week; and I invite the Governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to issue similar proclamations.

I also request the medical and allied health professions, the communications industries, and all interested persons and groups to unite during the designated week in public affirmation of our Nation's effort to conserve the God-given and irreplaceable gift of vision.

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 30th day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-three, and of the [SEAL] Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-eighth.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

By the President:

DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.