PROCLAMATION 3671—SEPT. 11, 1965

beginning on the third Sunday of October in each year as National Forest Products Week, and has requested the President to issue an annual proclamation calling for the observance of that week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon the people of the United States to observe the week beginning October 17, 1965, as National Forest Products Week, with activities and ceremonies designed to direct public attention to the essential role that our forest resources play in stimulating the advancement of our rural economy and in the continued growth and prosperity of the entire Nation.

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 eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninetieth.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

By the President:
DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.

Proclamation 3671
NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK, 1965

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

During the twenty years since World War II, this Nation has made giant strides in extending full opportunities to her handicapped citizens. In greater numbers than ever, the handicapped today are finding their rightful places in business and industry across the land.

Record numbers of the handicapped are being rehabilitated under Federal-State programs; placements of the handicapped by public employment offices are at high levels; and the Federal Government has been employing the handicapped in greater numbers than before.

All this is gratifying. America's fine record of acceptance of the handicapped is one of the highlights of our time.

Yet, we cannot be complacent. Although much progress has been made, the victory has not yet been won. There remains much for us to do.

Many handicapped men and women, particularly those with more severe physical and mental disabilities, still remain outside the mainstream of American life. The doors to employment remain closed to them not because of their inability to work but because society has not fully recognized their abilities.

America has not yet completely learned that the handicapped can have as much ability as the able-bodied, and sometimes even more.

Working together, we can open new doors of opportunity for the handicapped. We can broaden their vistas and raise their hopes. In so doing, we can strengthen our Nation, for our strength rests in the participation of all our citizens and not just some of our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, in consonance with the Joint Resolution of Congress approved August 11, 1945 (59 Stat. 530), designating the
first week of October of each year as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week, do hereby call upon the people of our Nation to observe the week beginning October 3, 1965, for such purpose.

During that week I urge all the Governors of States, mayors of cities, and other public officials, as well as leaders of industry, educational and religious groups, labor, civic, veterans', agricultural, women's, scientific, professional, and fraternal organizations, and all other interested organizations and individuals, including the handicapped themselves, to participate in this observance.

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 eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninetieth.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
By the President:
DEAN RUSK,
Secretary of State.

Proclamation 3672
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK, 1965
September 18, 1965
By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation

WHEREAS the national school lunch program, now in its nineteenth year, makes available a wholesome, appetizing lunch to over 18 million children in 70,000 schools which participate in the program; and

WHEREAS this program helps to provide many of our less fortunate children with a well-balanced and nutritious diet which enhances their vitality and their ability to obtain the maximum benefit from the learning process; and

WHEREAS the national school lunch program encourages the domestic consumption of food which is made available in unprecedented abundance through the efficiency of our farmers and our highly developed food marketing system; and

WHEREAS the national school lunch program is an outstanding example of a local-State-Federal partnership to protect the health and well-being of the Nation's children and thus to strengthen the national security; and

WHEREAS, in order to recognize the value and achievements of the school lunch program, the Congress, by a joint resolution approved October 9, 1962 (76 Stat. 779), has designated the seven-day period beginning on the second Sunday of October in each year as National School Lunch Week, and has requested the President to issue annually a proclamation calling for the observance of that week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, call upon the people of the United States to observe the week beginning October 10, 1965, as National School Lunch Week, with ceremonies and activities designed to increase public understanding and awareness of the significance of the national school lunch program to the child, to the home, to the farm, to industry, and to the Nation.