I urge all of America's news media to assist in this observance.

I direct that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day on all buildings, grounds, and naval vessels of the Federal Government throughout the United States and all areas under its jurisdiction and control.

I also call upon the Governors of the fifty States, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and appropriate officials of all local units of government to direct that the flag be flown at half-staff on all public buildings during the customary forenoon period; and I request the people of the United States to display the flag at half-staff from their homes for the same period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-second day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

GERALD R. FORD

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Father's Day, 1975

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Growing up has never been easy. We have all experienced moments of sorrow, disappointment, and frustration. And there have been times of joy and great satisfaction. For each of us, there have been special men along the way—men who cared.

They loved us and made us feel important. They helped provide for our needs. They took time to work and to play with us. And we often modelled ourselves after them.

These men who have given so much of themselves are our natural fathers, our foster fathers, our adoptive fathers and our big brothers. It is a fitting American tradition that once a year we pay a well-deserved tribute to these fathers of America.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, in accordance with a joint resolution of Congress (36 U.S.C. 142a), urge each American to observe Sunday, June 15, 1975, as Father’s Day, with appropriate public and private expressions of the love and gratitude we bear for our fathers.

I call upon Government officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings, and I invite the governments of the States and local communities to observe Father’s Day with appropriate ceremonies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-seventh day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

GERALD R. FORD

Proclamation 4377
May 27, 1975

Modifying Proclamation No. 3279,1 as Amended, Relating to Imports of Petroleum and Petroleum Products, and Providing for the Long-Term Control of Imports of Petroleum and Petroleum Products Through a System of License Fees

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority of Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, Proclamation No. 3279, as amended, was modified by Proclamation No. 4341 of January 23, 1975, in order to impose a system of supplemental license fees on imported petroleum and petroleum products; and

WHEREAS, the system of supplemental license fees on imported petroleum and petroleum products was imposed pursuant to an investi-