NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning October 5, 1975, as National Employ the Handicapped Week.

I call upon the Governors of the States, mayors and other public officials, and leaders of industry, labor, education, religious, veteran, farm, scientific, professional and other groups to join with the handicapped themselves in making the American people aware of the value and fairness of employing handicapped men and women.

Also, I call upon all employers to review and broaden their policies toward the employment of the handicapped.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fifteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundredth.

GERALD R. FORD

Proclamation 4395 • September 18, 1975

National Hunting and Fishing Day, 1975

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

The great natural resources which belong to America meant survival to our forefathers. The abundance of fish and wildlife enabled the early settlers to withstand the first winters. Later this abundance helped pioneers to make their way across the continent.

Today, our outdoor sportsmen help to assure the survival of our natural resources. Hunters and fishermen contribute to the preservation and protection of America's fish and wildlife through their voluntary conservation efforts and by providing millions of dollars for restoration programs, acquisition and maintenance of habitat and supportive research. These funds come through the purchase of licenses and excise taxes on sporting equipment.

In recognition of the significant contributions by American hunters and fishermen, to dramatize the continued need for gun and boat safety and to promote the conservation of our resources, the Congress, by Senate
Joint Resolution 34, has requested the President to declare the fourth Saturday of September 1975 as National Hunting and Fishing Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Saturday, September 27, 1975, as National Hunting and Fishing Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eighteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundredth.

GERALD R. FORD

Proclamation 4396 • September 24, 1975

Child Health Day, 1975

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

In the years since 1928, when Child Health Day was first proclaimed, our concept of health has acquired new dimensions. No longer do we consider health merely the timely treatment and cure of illness. Health now encompasses the prevention of those conditions which can lead to illness.

Scientific technology and medical research have given us many new tools to help in the essential tasks of preventing illness or conditions which can cripple. Thanks to vaccines which have been developed in recent decades, poliomyelitis is no longer the widespread crippler it once was. Children can now be protected against measles and the risk of death or brain damage resulting from this disease. Immunization against rubella not only protects young children, but also protects pregnant women from contracting the disease and risking the mental health of their unborn children.

Future challenge includes prevention of such divergent problems as birth abnormality, the battered child syndrome and the teen-age alcoholic, drug addict or criminal.