

Proclamation 4723 of February 19, 1980**Small Business Week, 1980**

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Small business has long played a vital role in our Nation's economy and way of life. This past January, I was honored to participate in the first White House Conference on Small Business. I had the opportunity to hear first-hand, the ideas, problems and aspirations of men and women from the small business community. As a former small businessman, I was impressed with their energy, determination, and above all, their hope for the future of our country.

The small business community constitutes the single most important segment of our free enterprise system. It accounts for forty-eight percent of our gross national product, more than half of the American labor force, and continues to be the major source of inventions and new jobs. Small business is truly the backbone of the American economy. I urge my fellow citizens to learn more about its role and importance in our society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 11, 1980, as Small Business Week, and I urgently call on every American to join me in this very special tribute.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Proclamation 4724 of February 19, 1980**Iwo Jima Commemoration Day**

By the President of the United States of America

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Thirty-five years ago Americans were pitted in battle on a small, barren island called Iwo Jima. The standard of courage established by the men of the V Marine Amphibious Corps in that battle is unsurpassed.

Because we now enjoy the blessings of the freedom for which those men sacrificed so much, it is appropriate for us to reflect upon the high price of that freedom. For 35 days, men of the 3rd, 4th and 5th Marine Divisions fought to secure the strategic island of Iwo Jima. The cost of the eventual American victory was the highest in Marine Corps history: 5,931 dead and 17,272 wounded. Of the over 20,000 Japanese defenders on Iwo Jima, only 1,083 survived. But the victors and the vanquished alike shared uncommon valor as a common virtue.

The Congress has by Joint Resolution (H.J. Res. 469) designated February 19, 1980 as Iwo Jima Commemoration Day. *Ante*, p. 64.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Tuesday, February 19, 1980 as Iwo Jima Commemoration Day. I call on all Americans to join on this occasion in honoring those Americans who served on Iwo Jima. I call on State and local officials and private organizations to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Proclamation 4725 of February 19, 1980

Honoring the Memory of Walt Disney

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

In the world of entertainment no name is more widely known than that of Walt Disney. For nearly fifty years, his creations brought us laughter and love, joy and gladness. The products of his imagination will enthrall and delight many more generations of children of all ages in every country on earth.

The House of Representatives, by a joint resolution of February 13, 1980, has requested the President to issue a proclamation honoring the memory of Walt Disney for his contribution to the American dream. *Ante*, p. 65.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon the people of this Nation to recall the accomplishments of Walt Disney and to honor his memory on February 19, 1980.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Proclamation 4726 of February 21, 1980

Application of Certain Laws of the United States to the Northern Mariana Islands

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

The Northern Mariana Islands, as part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, are administered by the United States under a Trusteeship Agreement between the United States and the Security Council of the United Nations (61 Stat. 3301). Pursuant to Article 6, paragraph 2 of the Trusteeship