

PROCLAMATIONS

WRIGHT BROTHERS DAY, 1959

By the President of the United States
of America
A Proclamation

September 21, 1959
[No. 3315]

WHEREAS on December 17, 1903, the Wright brothers, Orville and Wilbur, made the world's first successful flight in a heavier-than-air, mechanically propelled airplane, near Kitty Hawk, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS it is appropriate that the memory of the Wright brothers, whose genius, courage, and enterprise wrought profound change in the lives of mankind, should be honored on the anniversary day of their epic flight; and

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States, by a joint resolution approved September 21, 1959, has designated the seventeenth day of December 1959 as Wright Brothers Day, and has requested the President to issue a proclamation inviting the people of the United States to observe that day with appropriate ceremonies and activities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on Wright Brothers Day, December 17, 1959; and I invite the people of the United States to observe that day with ceremonies and activities designed to honor the memory of Orville and Wilbur Wright, and to further interest and activity in the field of aviation in this country.

73 Stat. 583.

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 twenty-first day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eighty-fourth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

DOUGLAS DILLON,
Acting Secretary of State.

NATIONAL OLYMPIC WEEK, 1959

**By the President of the United States
of America
A Proclamation**

September 22, 1959
[No. 3316]

WHEREAS the XVIIth Olympic Games of the modern era will be held in Rome, Italy, from August 25 to September 11, 1960, and the Winter Games will be held at Squaw Valley, California, from February 18 to February 28, 1960; and

WHEREAS these games unite in friendly competition athletes from around the world, each governed by the traditional rules of sportsmanship and eager to gain honor for the country he represents; and

WHEREAS in these challenging times mankind stands in need of occasions which bring out the finest efforts of the human spirit, of physical skill and endurance, and of achievements of individuals rather than of governments; and

WHEREAS the Olympic Games uniquely provide such occasions and contribute much to the areas of common understanding and mutual respect among all peoples; and

WHEREAS the United States Olympic Association is now engaged in seeking broad popular support for the young men and women representing the United States at these athletic events; and