

36 USC 165.

September 26, 1961 (75 Stat. 681), requested the President to issue annually a proclamation designating the third week in March as National Poison Prevention Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning March 17, 1974, as National Poison Prevention Week.

I direct all appropriate agencies of the Federal Government to participate actively in programs designed to promote maximum protection of our people against accidental poisoning, particularly among children. Further I invite all State and local governments, and private organizations and individuals to share in this national effort.

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

RICHARD NIXON

Proclamation 4269

February 21, 1974

**National Farm Safety Week, 1974**

*By the President of the United States of America*

**A Proclamation**

Every one of America's farmers produces enough food to feed 50 other people. Our agricultural productivity plays a fundamental role in our country's international leadership as it enables us to provide assistance to other less fortunate nations and it frees so many in our society for other economic and social efforts which benefit America and the world.

As in every other crucial industry, job safety is essential to the maintenance of high agricultural productivity. But we are concerned with more than productivity alone. Every year farm accidents produce serious injuries and result in the loss of thousands of lives. The financial cost in lost time, production, and medical and property expenses runs into billions of dollars. The cost in human suffering is incalculable.

This needless waste of precious human and economic resources must be and can be sharply reduced through careful attention to basic safety

precautions. As we act to provide the food and fibre that feeds and clothes Americans and many people around the world, I urge that we also act to protect the lives of the farmers and farm workers of America through more careful attention to farm safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning July 25, 1974, as National Farm Safety Week. During this week and in the ensuing year, I urge all who reside on farms and ranches to employ every needed safety precaution and practice, at work, at home, and in recreation. Further, I ask those who work with and serve farm and ranch people to support them in accident-reducing efforts by providing encouragement, information and education. We must become as effective at reducing accident losses as we have become in increasing agricultural production.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-eighth.

RICHARD NIXON

Proclamation 4270

February 26, 1974

**Vietnam Veterans Day**

*By the President of the United States of America*

**A Proclamation**

As America enters its second year of peace after a decade of conflict, it is highly appropriate for us to acknowledge the debt we owe to those veterans who served in the Armed Forces during the conflict in Southeast Asia. The untiring devotion that characterized our Armed Forces during this trying conflict is a tribute to the national character.

There are over six and one-half million Vietnam-era veterans, of whom more than two and one-half million served in Vietnam. Despite significant disruptions in their lives and other personal sacrifices, they answered the call of their country and served with great distinction.