

Local control and administration of our Nation's port system has fostered the development of some 170 commercial seaports and numerous inland ports on our navigable inland waterways. As the world's leading trading country, the United States depends upon local port expenditures, modernizations and expansions to accommodate expected growth in trade and improvements in transportation technology. But the benefits extend to the national economy, as well as to local communities.

Since 1946, local port agencies have invested more than \$5 billion to construct and modernize our pier and wharf facilities. These local public expenditures have essentially been matched by the investments of private marine terminal owners, while the Federal Government helps provide channel and navigation improvements. For the years 1973-1978, these local port expenditures reached \$1.8 billion. Projections for the next five years total an estimated \$3 billion. These local investments are the vital streams of our foreign and domestic waterborne commerce.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, in order to remind Americans of the importance of the port industry of the United States to our national life, do hereby designate the seven calendar days beginning October 7, 1979, as National Port Week. I invite the Governors of the several States, the chief officials of local governments, and the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this sixth day of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Proclamation 4696 of October 22, 1979

National Farm-City Week, 1979

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

All too often we take for granted the close working relationship between our farms and cities. On this 25th anniversary of National Farm-City Week, we can again reflect with pride on this unique interdependence.

It is a crucial interdependence that requires our constant attention. It determines whether our food and fiber supply will meet the needs of our citizens, our trading partners and our international humanitarian commitments. In short, it determines our future.

National Farm-City Week is a time for our rededication to cooperation, so we as a Nation can successfully meet the challenges that lie before us.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the period, November 16 through November 22, 1979, as National Farm-City Week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-second day of October, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-nine, and

of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Proclamation 4697 of October 23, 1979

Agreement on Trade Relations Between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

As President of the United States of America, acting through my representatives, I entered into the negotiation of an agreement on trade relations between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China with representatives of the People's Republic of China;

19 USC 2101.

The negotiations were conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-618, January 3, 1975; 88 Stat. 1978) ("the Act");

An "Agreement on Trade Relations between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China", in English and Chinese, was signed on July 7, 1979, by representatives of the two Governments, and is annexed to this Proclamation:¹

19 USC 2435.

The Agreement conforms to the requirements relating to bilateral commercial agreements specified in section 405(b) of the Act;

Article X of the Agreement provides that it shall come into force on the date on which the Contracting Parties have exchanged notifications that each has completed the legal procedures necessary for this purpose; and

Section 405(c) of the Act provides that a bilateral commercial agreement and a proclamation implementing such agreement shall take effect only if approved by the Congress;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, proclaim as follows:

(1) This Proclamation shall become effective, said Agreement shall enter into force according to its terms, and nondiscriminatory treatment shall be extended to the products of the People's Republic of China in accordance with the terms of the said Agreement, on the date on which the Contracting Parties have exchanged notifications that each has completed the legal procedures necessary for this purpose in accordance with Article X of the said Agreement.

Publication in
Federal Register.
19 USC 1202.

(2) General Headnote 3(e) of the Tariff Schedules of the United States is amended by deleting therefrom "China (any part of which may be under Communist domination or control)" and "Tibet" as of the effective date of this proclamation and a notice thereof shall be published in the **Federal Register** promptly thereafter.

¹ Filed with the Office of the Federal Register as part of the original document.