

THOMAS ALVA EDISON DAY, 1944

February 9, 1944
[No. 2604]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Thomas Alva Edison immeasurably enriched our way of living by the products of his incomparable genius;

WHEREAS we are proud to include the name of this modest inventor in the long roll of American benefactors of the human race; and

WHEREAS the President of the United States is authorized and requested by a joint resolution approved February 9, 1944, to issue a proclamation designating February 11, 1944, as Thomas Alva Edison Day;

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Designation of
February 11, 1944 as
Thomas Alva Edison
Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate February 11, 1944, as Thomas Alva Edison Day; I call upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on that day; and I invite the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies.

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 9th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-four, and [SEAL] of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-eighth.

FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT

By the President:

CORDELL HULL

Secretary of State.

THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

February 18, 1944
[No. 2605]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

The flag of the United States of America is universally representative of the principles of the justice, liberty, and democracy enjoyed by the people of the United States; and

People all over the world recognize the flag of the United States as symbolic of the United States; and

The effective prosecution of the war requires a proper understanding by the people of other countries of the material assistance being given by the Government of the United States:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, particularly by the Joint Resolution approved June 22, 1942, as amended by the Joint Resolution approved December 22, 1942, as President and Commander in Chief, it is hereby proclaimed as follows:

56 Stat. 377, 1074.
36 U. S. C., Supp.
III, §§ 171-178.

Use on containers
intended for lend-lease
aid or similar pur-
poses.

1. The use of the flag of the United States or any representation thereof, if approved by the Foreign Economic Administration, on labels, packages, cartons, cases, or other containers for articles or products of the United States intended for export as lend-lease aid, as

relief and rehabilitation aid, or as emergency supplies for the Territories and possessions of the United States, or similar purposes, shall be considered a proper use of the flag of the United States and consistent with the honor and respect due to the flag.

2. If any article or product so labelled, packaged or otherwise bearing the flag of the United States or any representation thereof, as provided for in section 1, should, by force of circumstances, be diverted to the ordinary channels of domestic trade, no person shall be considered as violating the rules and customs pertaining to the display of the flag of the United States, as set forth in the Joint Resolution approved June 22, 1942, as amended by the Joint Resolution approved December 22, 1942 (U. S. C., Supp. II, title 36, secs. 171-178) for possessing, transporting, displaying, selling, or otherwise transferring any such article or product solely because the label, package, carton, case, or other container bears the flag of the United States or any representation thereof.

Diversion of labeled article to domestic trade.

56 Stat. 377, 1074.
36 U. S. C., Supp. III, §§ 171-178.

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 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-four, and of [SEAL] the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-eighth.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

By the President:

E. R. STETTINIUS, Jr.
Acting Secretary of State.

RED CROSS MONTH, 1944

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

February 19, 1944
[No. 2606]

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the war has entered a decisive stage requiring the fullest measure of individual sacrifice;

WHEREAS the American National Red Cross is an auxiliary to the United States armed forces and, as such, is providing indispensable service to our troops throughout the world as well as to their families at home;

WHEREAS these wartime activities, including the collection of life-saving blood for the wounded, recreation work in military hospitals, provision of aid to families of servicemen, shipment of food parcels to prisoners of war, production of surgical dressings, operation of overseas clubs and recreation centers, and recruitment of Army and Navy nurses, all combine to save countless lives, restore hope, and provide comfort for our fighting men;

WHEREAS, through its vast network of local chapters, this agency of our people simultaneously conducts an extensive program of training and community service, while continuing with traditional efficiency to lessen the distress of those overwhelmed by disaster; and

WHEREAS this agency is wholly dependent upon individual support and personal participation and is issuing its 1944 appeal to the entire citizenship for a minimum War Fund of \$200,000,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America and President of the American

Designation of March 1944 as "Red Cross Month."