displaying the flag of the United States at their homes and other suitable places, and I request that all ships sailing under the American flag dress ship on that day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fifth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

Gerald R. Ford

Proclamation 4364

April 9, 1975


By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

We cannot cherish justice and liberty unless we respect the law.

In order to preserve and strengthen our cherished freedoms, it is appropriate that we reaffirm the fundamental principle of justice through law for all Americans. We can do so in many ways and in many places—in the library and classroom, through grassroots civic and political work, and through a heightened awareness of the American system of law making and law enforcement. Let each of us reaffirm our devotion to and respect for the legal process without which neither life nor liberty would be secure.

Congress has requested that the first day of May of each year be proclaimed Law Day, U.S.A. (75 Stat. 43; 36 U.S.C. 164); and, that the American people be asked to celebrate that day in appreciation for the liberties we have acquired and preserved under the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, invite the people of the United States to observe Thursday, May 1, 1975, with appropriate programs and ceremonies, as Law Day, U.S.A. I especially urge that schools, libraries, churches, civic and service organizations, public bodies, the courts, the legal profession and the communications media take the lead in sponsoring, participating in, and publicizing suitable observances throughout the Nation. And I call upon all public officials to display the flag of the United States on all government buildings on that day.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ninth
day of April in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and
of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred
ninety-ninth.

Gerald R. Ford

Proclamation 4365

April 10, 1975

National Defense Transportation Day and National Transportation
Week, 1975

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Throughout the history of the United States, our progress as a Nation
has been closely tied to progress in the development of our transportation
system. Generations of men and women who pioneered and developed
the great networks by which we move goods and people today stand high
in the ranks of those who have helped make America great.

As the Nation grew, so did its need for mobility. During the last cen-
tury, this need was well served by expanding rail and water transportation
systems. Today, the need is served by a broader range of systems. Motor
vehicles and aircraft provide rapid access to every region.

There are still changing needs and new demands for the movement of
our people and the goods they produce. Yesterday’s methods may not
be adequate to overcome the problem of congestion in many of our large
population centers. Also, fuels that have powered our transportation
machinery in the past may not be sufficient to meet the demands of the
future.

So, once again, we look to the people in our transportation industry
to make the adjustments required by the changing times. We look to
them with the confidence that they will perform as they have in the
past and provide improvements that will ensure fast, safe, efficient, and
convenient transportation.