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OF THE

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PROCLAMATIONS

by

Governor Frederick G. Payne

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(as reported to the Director of Legislative Research)

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, Maine produces many quality products of many kinds and for many diverse uses; and

Whereas, the value of these products runs to many millions of dollars annually and is of vital importance to the State's economy; and

Whereas, many of our summer guests and many of our own residents are unfamiliar with the full scope and wide range of Maine products; and

Whereas, Maine industrialists and manufacturers of many diverse commodities and services are desirous of exhibiting their products to Maine residents and guests; and

Whereas, Maine's skillful, well trained, and efficient labor force results in outstanding products whose merits are recognized in domestic and foreign markets

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of August 7 to August 14, 1949 as Maine Products Week, and do urge all Maine manufacturers to take special notice of this week by exhibiting their products, and recommend that Maine people and their guests view these outstanding displays of Maine craftsmanship and skill. More especially do I urge all retail merchants during this week to arrange window displays of Maine products, including foods, fresh and processed, from our sea and shore fisheries and our modern agriculture, and to display textiles, boots and shoes, pulp and paper articles, and forest products made by Maine craftsmen in Maine communities. I hope hotels and restaurants will feature all Maine menus during this Maine Products week.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this eleventh day of July, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor,

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Prolonged drought, allowing forest fires to burn deeply into the ground, has resulted in a serious fire hazard to the forests of Maine. Twenty forest fires are now under patrol. Weather predictions indicate no relief in sight. On the recommendation of the State Forest Commissioner and pursuant to the authority vested in me by virtue of Chapter 344 of the Public Laws of 1945, I do hereby prohibit all smoking or the building of any and all fires out of doors in the woods, except at public camp sites maintained by the Forestry Department. I urge sportsmen to cooperate with us in enforcing the campfire and smoking ban when fishing in any and all Maine waters.

This proclamation shall be effective at twelve noon, Friday, July 29, 1949, and shall continue until annulled by further proclamation.

It is essential that all persons in the state cooperate fully in this serious situation. All fire wardens, all game wardens, and state officials shall proceed in the enforcement of this proclamation.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-eighth day of July, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, on September 17, 1787, the Constitution of the United States was drafted by the Constitutional Convention, later submitted to Congress and adopted, and thus became the fundamental law of the land; and

Whereas, this document has remained basically unchanged for 162 years and under its provisions the United States has grown and prospered; and

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Whereas, under the ministration of this Constitution, throughout troubled years there has been maintained a government of the people, by the people and for the people, to preserve justice, safeguard domestic tranquillity, promote the general welfare and glorify the blessings of liberty, thereby making possible our high state of civilization the like of which is known nowhere else in the world; and

Whereas, today the greatest danger to the Constitution comes from foes within our borders, who would nullify those provisions which have made America great and sap from the Constitution that strength which has made the United States of America the one hope of freedom-loving people worldwide and the most solid political guide the world has ever known;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of Maine, proclaim September 17, 1949, as

Constitution Day

and do urge its observance by churches, schools, service clubs and patriotic organizations to the end that our Constitution continue to hold that fundamental position which has enabled this Nation to expand its sphere of influence throughout the World.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, by Presidential Proclamation the week of October 9 to 15, has been set aside as National Fire Prevention Week; and

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Whereas, in 1948 Maine suffered the loss of 51 citizens by reason of accidents in connection with 4,529 fires, causing great personal sorrow; and

Whereas, the 1948 State Property loss was more than \$8,000,000 in the same period of time, resulting in loss of much taxable property to municipalities and heavy financial losses to owners and operators, as well as considerable temporary unemployment; and

Whereas, many of these 4,529 fires were caused by carelessness, and could have been avoided by reasonable precautions and regular inspection of properties; and

Whereas, Fire Departments of Maine cities and towns are extremely desirous of cooperating with property owners to decrease this huge economic loss which should cause every citizen to take stock of his own property and resolve to do his utmost to reduce this unnecessary loss;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Week of October 9 to 15, 1949, as

Maine Fire Prevention Week

and do urge that all schools, private and public, churches and service clubs cooperate with their local fire departments in planning programs to effectively point out fire causes and outline preventive methods.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the children of Maine represent its most valuable asset; and

Whereas, these children are looking forward to many years of pleasure in Maine forests, on its lakes and seashore playgrounds; and

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Whereas, conservation of those resources for our children and our children's children, as well as for our guests from without the State, should be a vital concern of every resident of the Pine Tree State; and

Whereas, one of the chief factors in any intelligent conservation program is a state-wide informational campaign to acquaint both children and adults with the importance and methods of conservation; and

Whereas, good sportsmanship depends on the early development of those ideals and practices which are the chief distinction between a sport and a sportsman; and

Whereas, the Consolidated Sportsmen's Club of Maine is sponsoring a state-wide Children's Day in Sports;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the third Sunday in September, September 18, 1949, as

Children's Day in Sports

and do urge that after attendance at church and Sunday school of their faith, this day be dedicated to informing children of the State of Maine of the enjoyment, appreciation and conservation of our natural resources and wild life through special programs, contests, pet shows, and the use of conservation films in the various communities which comprise the State of Maine.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the most dreaded poliomyelitis has struck down many of our citizens, including great numbers of boys and girls, young men and women; and

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Whereas, here in Maine, there has been a notable increase in these numbers, until today there are 267 victims suffering from this recurrent scourge; and

Whereas, there have already been 5 deaths in Maine, and almost innumerable deaths throughout the Nation, thereby creating an epidemic emergency situation; and

Whereas, this epidemic has greatly depleted National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis funds which are available for distribution to the several States; and

Whereas, six Maine chapters in areas hard hit have totally exhausted their funds for use in the current paralysis epidemic; and

Whereas, these funds must be augmented rapidly to minimize suffering and to organize more effective control facilities;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of September 11 to September 18, 1949, as

Maine Polio Emergency Fund Week

and do hereby urge all our citizens to respond generously to this appeal, and do further urge that all churches, schools, colleges and other educational institutions, service clubs and veterans organizations to do their utmost to swell the funds whereby local polio sufferers may receive the greatest possible amount of care and corrective treatment to return them to healthy, happy and useful lives.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the National Guard is a force of Citizen-Soldiers and Citizen-Airmen who have pledged themselves to the service of their country, their state and the communities in which they live; and

Whereas, in time of war, the National Guard stands ready to defend the country against the attack of any enemy aggressor and in time of peace, stands ready to serve state and community when any domestic disaster occurs; and

Whereas, the National Guard units of the State of Maine are undertaking a recruiting campaign to keep present units at training strength, to fill vacancies and replace losses, and to be able to expand when authorized;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, in order that National Guard units of this State may continue to be prepared to serve our country and our State in any emergency proclaim September 19, 1949, as

"Get In The Guard" Day

and urge all of our citizens to join in the recruiting campaign of our own National Guard units, which extends from September 19 through November 19, 1949.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fourteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

[Seal]

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, Newsboys everywhere comprise a vital distribution link in the speedy and wide dissemination of news; and

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Whereas, these loyal and efficient youngsters, through good weather and bad, in early morning hours and in late afternoon are extremely conscientious in seeing that the 'news gets through'; and

Whereas, Maine newsboys are especially alert in carrying out their missions and acting on their own initiative, frequently have reported fires and other emergencies to proper officials, thereby functioning as good citizens; and

Whereas, these young merchants are learning many business practices, knowledge of which will be invaluable in later years; and

Whereas, it is extremely fitting that State of Maine people express their deep appreciation of the day-by-day service rendered by their friendly newsboys;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 8, 1949, as

Newspaper Boy Day

and do urge their employers and the customers whom they serve to express their appreciation for unflinching services rendered.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, by Congressional enactment and Presidential Proclamation the week beginning October 2 to October 9 has been set aside as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week throughout the Nation; and

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Whereas, Maine has several thousand men, women and children who have suffered physical handicaps through highway or industrial accidents, and many veterans whose patriotic service is now handicapping them in their search for productive employment; and

Whereas, these handicapped workers represent a substantial part of Maine's labor force and who if selectively placed in gainful employment would add materially to the State's productive total as well as making them economically independent; and

Whereas, there was a total of 1,092 placements of handicapped workers, including 666 veterans, in Maine, since last September; and

Whereas, the Maine Employment Security Commission and the Veterans Employment Service are striving to place 1,403 handicapped workers, including 778 veterans, in suitable jobs where their handicaps will not hamper their effective production nor aggravate their individual disabilities;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 3 to October 8 as

Maine Employ the Physically Handicapped Week

and do urge employers, churches, schools, patriotic societies and service clubs, to study the needs of handicapped workers in their several communities, and to do everything in their power to see that the employment needs of these workers be met.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, more than 12,000 of Maine's young men and women are members of the United States Armed Forces, more than half of whom are less than 21 years old; and

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Whereas, at the request of President Truman, USO was reactivated to provide recreational and welfare activities for those in our Armed Service in developing these service men and women as citizens; and

Whereas, USO is now operating 170 service centers, of which 19 are overseas; and

Whereas, USO also maintains Veterans Hospital Camp Shows which bring professional entertainment to 100,000 veterans who are patients in Veterans Administration hospitals throughout the country; and

Whereas, funds are needed for the continuance of these vital services;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the month of October as

Armed Services Month

and do urge that the People of Maine dedicate this month to the young men and women who now constitute our first line of defense, and do call upon our people to give as generously as may be possible toward the support of the newly activated USO in order to give our service forces a 'home away from home.'

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

[Seal]

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the General Assembly of the United Nations has designated Monday, October 24, as United Nations Day; and

Whereas, it would appear that a world-wide observance of this day would give citizens everywhere an opportunity to review aims and achievements of this organization; and

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Whereas, such a factual review would give everyone opportunity to reaffirm their faith in the United Nations as an effective instrument for building international peace and progress; and

Whereas, the United Nations is being assailed from many angles by those who would discredit and destroy this organization, either because of ignorance or well-considered intent; and

Whereas, a complete and sympathetic understanding of the aims, achievements and methods of the United Nations is of paramount value in the ultimate success of the United Nations;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Monday, October 24, 1949, as

Maine United Nations Day

and do urge that appropriate programs be arranged in all schools and colleges, in churches of all denominations, by service clubs and veterans' organizations, and by other groups, to the end that our citizenry, old and young, become more familiar with the United Nations' purposes and objectives, success of which may well determine the future peace and prosperity of the world.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

[Seal]

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, Maine women have long been prominent in the business and professional life of this great State; and

Whereas, women of our State have made outstanding contributions to progress of education in the Pine Tree State and in many other States of the Union; and

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Whereas, in politics and government, women are assuming increasingly important responsibilities and duties in State and Nation; and

Whereas, women of today bring to their increased responsibilities an innate sympathy and understanding which creates a humanitarian approach to pressing problems; and

Whereas, more women are needed in public life, in art and letters, in business and the professions to give a much-needed balance to many vital considerations;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 9 through October 15, 1949, as

Maine Business Women's Week

and urge that Women's Clubs, Garden Clubs, Service Clubs, Parent-Teacher Associations and other organizations to observe this week with special programs, calling attention to outstanding contributions by Maine women in all walks of life, and to encourage an ever greater participation by local women in the fields of their greatest interest and talents.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the United States, from its earliest days, has been developed on certain simple basic concepts, which include a firm belief in the efficacy of prayer, the immortality of the soul, and life everlasting; and

Whereas, conflicting ideologies today threaten outward manifestations of these concepts, including the sanctity of the home, the holy institution of matrimony, religious education of youth, and moral training; and

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Whereas, a strengthening of these ideals could be effected by a close study of the Bible and by diligent personal application of precepts contained therein;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 17 to October 23 as

Maine Bible Week

and do urge all Maine people to attend the Church of their choice and to read their Bibles carefully and prayerfully to the end that they may clarify in their own minds and consciences some of the extremely confused thinking of the times.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this sixteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, a consciousness of Art and an appreciation of varied techniques are necessary to a well-developed personality; and

Whereas, many Maine people have unsuspected, latent talents which they might develop for their own pleasure and that of their friends; and

Whereas, there are many contemporary artists whose works will compare favorably with those of the Old Masters; and

Whereas, it is most desirable that the general public be made aware of the first rate achievements of outstanding American artists; and

Whereas, the Maine Chapter of The American Artists Professional League has adopted "Art to Live With" as its 1949 slogan;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of November 1 to November 7, 1949, as

American Art Week

and do urge that schools, colleges, libraries and museums throughout the State observe this week with appropriate exhibitions, preferably by Maine artists or by those artists whose works reflect the beauty which is Maine.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the First Week in November has been officially designated as National Flower Week by the Society of American Florists; and

Whereas, this week is one in which special emphasis will be placed on the pleasure and happiness which flowers bring into our lives; and

Whereas, flowers are symbols of beauty and hope for millions of people throughout the world; and

Whereas, flowers have been adopted as the messengers of romance and remembrance in all languages; and

Whereas, many of Maine's Garden Clubs are striving to increase interest in artistic flower arrangements and to encourage developments of home flower gardens as a source of constant pleasure;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim this, the first week of November, 1949, as

Maine Flower Week

and urge that Maine residents pay tribute to flowers for the beauty and happiness which they bring into our daily lives, and to reflect on the in-

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spiration which we may obtain from constant association with the loveliness found only in flowers.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this first day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor: :

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, it is the privilege and duty of rational beings to publicly acknowledge the wisdom of the Creator and the beneficence of His providence; and

Whereas, in accordance with the usage of our ancestors and following the dictates of our own consciences, it is customary to observe a special Day of Thanksgiving; and

Whereas, our State has been blessed by another Harvest Season with bumper crops, and wherein "treasures of the great deep have rewarded our fishermen"; and

Whereas, by the Grace of God our nation has been at peace for the past twelve months in accordance with the earnest prayers and entreaties of our people; and

Whereas, in the words of our first Governor, "we behold in this Country a people prosperous in their industry and happy under rulers of their own choice, and laws of their own making, and in the midst of present tranquillity gladden with the prospect of a lengthened period of happiness and repose";

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 24, 1949 as

Thanksgiving Day

and hereby urge that all of our citizens congregating in Churches of their choice, give abundant thanks for blessings both spiritual and material which have been bestowed upon us by an all-wise Creator in spite of our sins of omission and commission, and request that during this last full week in November, appropriate observances be held in schools, service clubs and fraternal groups to express our humble appreciation of all our blessings.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this first day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, many Maine citizens are victims of painful and crippling rheumatic diseases that together constitute one of the most prevalent ailments in America; and

Whereas, the economic loss to the State in lost work hours, curtailed production, medical costs and taxation for relief assistance is heavy; and

Whereas, intensified research is needed to develop new treatments to minimize effects of arthritis; and

Whereas, clinical facilities for diagnosis and treatment of rheumatic diseases are insufficient to cope with needs of many sufferers; and

Whereas, the New England Chapter of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, in conjunction with its National Organization, is about to undertake a major campaign for funds to speed research, establish clinics, and advance medical and lay knowledge;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week beginning November 21, 1949, as

Arthritis Week

and do call upon Maine people to observe it in conjunction with Thanksgiving Day, inasmuch as new medical discoveries have given many victims of arthritis much for which to be thankful; and do further urge that all citizens support in every way the humanitarian cause of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fourteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, November 21, 1949, will mark the 329th Anniversary of the Signing of the Mayflower Compact by the Pilgrims; and

Whereas, the Mayflower Compact is a fundamental American Document which gave the first assurance that Virtue, Industry and Freedom were to find a refuge and to found an empire in the New World by establishing the principle of self-government; and

Whereas, it is inspiring to present day Americans to mark with special ceremonies this Anniversary of the signing of this immortal document, the first charter of the people, by the people, and for the people, known to history;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Monday, November 21, 1949, as

Mayflower Compact Day

throughout the State of Maine, and request appropriate observance of this Anniversary by our schools, churches, civic and patriotic organizations and by the public generally to the end all citizens may become better acquainted with this historic document which for more than three centuries has been an inspiration to freedom-loving people throughout the world.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fifteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

[Seal]

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, the American Way of Life and Government shall not be undermined by current infiltration of foreign propaganda whose ideologies are opposed to those of the United States of America; and

Whereas, the Bill of Rights shall not be used as a tool in foreign agents' hands to distort and destroy the basic principles for which the Bill of Rights stands; and

Whereas, it is necessary now, more than before, to call upon the American people to do their utmost to act concertedly and with determination to better uphold the sacred principles of American Unity, upon which the Bill of Rights is based, and defend them from certain foreign agents' action, leading to the degeneration of the Bill of Rights; and

Whereas, "the condition upon which God hath given liberty to man is eternal vigilance";

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Thursday, December 15, 1949, as

Bill of Rights Day

and call upon officials of State to display the Flag of the United States on all government buildings on that day and invite the people of the State to observe that day with appropriate ceremonies and prayer.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, it appears advisable that the Legislature of this State should meet in special session for the following purposes:

To consider legislation relative to supplementary appropriations for state subsidies to municipalities as administered by the Department of Education under existing laws.

To consider legislation relative to supplementary appropriations for the assistance programs as administered by the Department of Health and Welfare under existing laws.

To act upon any legislation to promote the welfare of the State.

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor, convene the Legislature of this State, hereby requiring the Senators and Representatives to as-

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semble in their respective chambers at the Capitol at Augusta on Monday, the sixth day of February 1950 at two-thirty o'clock in the afternoon in order to receive such communication as may then be made to them and to consider and determine on such measures as in their judgment will best promote the welfare of the State.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this eighteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

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PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, February 8, 1950, is the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America, chartered by the Congress of the United States, as a program for all the boys of America; and

Whereas, the Boy Scout Program has affected the lives of 16,500,000 American boys and men since 1910, and now has an active enrollment of 2,300,000; and

Whereas, the Movement is engaged in a Crusade to "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty" by giving more boys a richer experience and increase its usefulness to the nation; and

Whereas, the Boy Scouts of America, a great force for training youth in right character and good citizenship, marks its 40th anniversary by a great National Scout Jamboree at historic Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, this coming summer;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of February 6 to 12, 1950, as

“Boy Scout Week”

and do urge our citizens to recognize the unselfish, patriotic service being rendered to our communities by the volunteer Scout Leaders who bring the Program to the youth of our State, and in all possible ways, to further this wholesome youth program, and help the State of Maine to be adequately represented at the great National Scout Jamboree this year.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

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PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, disease of the heart and blood vessels constitutes our Nation's most important medical and public health problem in that it affects more persons than any other disease and leads all others as a cause of death; and

Whereas, the month of February is being sponsored by the American Heart Association as National Heart Month for the purpose of focussing public attention on the medical, social and economic aspects of this primary health problem, and of reminding the Nation that solution depends upon the fullest cooperation of the people, science, government, and health and welfare agencies;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 1950, as

Maine Heart Month

and call upon schools, churches, scientific bodies, civic associations, business establishments, and other organizations, and the people of the State of Maine generally, to observe this Maine Heart Month with appropriate activities.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this third day of February, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, conservation of our natural resources is of utmost importance to the State of Maine; and

Whereas, our timberlands and forests are among our outstanding resources, both from an economic and scenic viewpoint; and

Whereas, many of our nature lovers, together with our garden clubs and other community organizations, are actively interested in maintaining our place among those States interested in conservation;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 28, 1950, as

Arbor Day

for the State of Maine, and urge that appropriate ceremonies be arranged by our various civic organizations, so Maine may join the "Plant America" Parade.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this third day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the security of our nation is the first responsibility of the Armed Forces, of which the largest civilian component is the Organized Reserve; and

Whereas, we need a strong, trained reserve, prepared for defenses in war, and standing in peace against threat of war; and

Whereas, in recognition of their service the Congress of the United States has made provision for retirement of veterans of the last war in reward for the past, and to give them security for the future,

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the period from April 20 to May 20 as

Organized Reserve Corps Month

and do urge our citizens, especially the veterans of World War II to acquaint themselves with the Organized Reserve Program, both for the defense of their country, and for their own personal security.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, May 20, 1950, has been proclaimed by the President as Armed Forces Day in honor of all the country's armed services; and

Whereas, the citizens of Maine are proud of the record of accomplishment in all branches of our armed services and of those men and women who have ever placed devotion to national responsibilities above personal interests; and

Whereas, we are all anxious to cooperate in our National Defense program to insure the future of our country's security;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby join in this national recognition of the services of our citizens in

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the Armed Forces of the nation and of their veteran comrades now honorably returned to civilian pursuits, by proclaiming the week of May 14 to May 20, 1950 as

National Defense Week

and May 20, 1950 as

Armed Forces Day

throughout the State of Maine, and do urge our people to cooperate in appropriate observances of National Defense Week and Armed Forces Day.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this third day of May, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

[Seal]

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

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PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the people of America have never before been confronted with so many diversified organizations camouflaging their intent to undermine our democracy by a display of patriotism; and

Whereas, it is our duty to insure the future of democracy for our youth who are the future citizens of our great country; and

Whereas, the American Flag is the symbol of our freedom, and our pledge of allegiance to our Flag is an indication of our continued faith in our form of government;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim June 14, 1950, as

Flag Day

and urge the citizens of Maine to display the Flag in appropriate places in line with observances held in our schools and various communities.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this nineteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fourth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, Maine can well be proud of the many, many quality products produced by its native sons and daughters; and

Whereas, the economy of our State depends upon the ever increasing sale of these products; and

Whereas, many of our own people, as well as hundreds of our guests, are not aware of the many diversified goods produced in our State; and

Whereas, our industrialists and manufacturers, together with our well trained and efficient workers, desire to exhibit these goods to acquaint all with the skill, integrity, and ingenuity that has made this diversified production possible;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of July 30 to August 5, 1950, as

Maine Products Week

and urge all Maine manufacturers to exhibit their products that Maine people and their guests may view these outstanding displays of skill and crafts-

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manship. It is my hope that each community will cooperate in "boosting our Maine products" during this particular period by featuring Maine "menus" in all restaurants and hotels; displaying our products in retail stores; releasing newspaper and radio publicity and all other means that will give added stimulus to the sale of our Maine goods.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fourteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the Children's Cancer Research Foundation in cooperation with the Variety Club of New England, the Boston Braves, and the motion picture industry is appealing to the generosity of the people of New England to once again support the "Jimmy" Fund, and

Whereas, the number of children receiving treatment through this fund is increasing making it necessary to expand the facilities to provide proper care, and

Whereas, the people of Maine realize the importance of continuing this important work that means so much to the future of our children by correcting the dread signs of cancer when they first become noticeable

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the period from August 31 to September 15, 1950 as

Jimmy Fund Time

and urge the citizens of Maine to contribute, no matter how small their donations may be, to aid our children, who represent our nation's greatest asset for the future. As the work of the foundation grows in power—the power of the plague it fights will decrease.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this eighth day of August, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the Greater Portland Chamber of Commerce and its Retail Board of Trade have proposed a detailed program to resist hoarding which, in these trying days might produce inflation, and thus help the cause of Communism; and

Whereas, it is a known fact that leaders and followers of Communism have avowed that they will destroy our national economy through inflation or by any other possible means; and

Whereas, the Greater Portland Chamber of Commerce and Retail Board of Trade plan is designed to protect our state and national economy from inflation by obtaining pledges from citizens that as Home Defenders of Freedom, they will confine purchases to their immediate needs;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of August 6, 1950, as

Home Defenders of Freedom Week

and commend the purposes and objectives of this program, which emphasizes "Hoarding Helps Communism," to all other communities within the State of Maine.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this second day of August, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the children of Maine must be prepared to take their place as future citizens, and

Whereas, one important requisite is good sportsmanship, and

Whereas, the conservation of our natural resources is necessary to insure our children an opportunity to enjoy our forests, lakes and coastal areas for many years to come, and

Whereas, the Consolidated Sportsman's Club of Maine is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Children's Day in Sports;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 16, 1950 as

Children's Day in Sports

and urge our various organizations to cooperate in educating our children to know the value of conservation of our resources and the need for being

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a "good sport" all through life. We could all heed the adage of that well-known Portland Sports Editor, Bud Cornish, "when your boy is in sports, he is not in mischief."

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the need to get the truth behind the Iron Curtain never was more urgent; and

Whereas, the Crusade for Freedom offers a direct, concrete, and immediate method of accomplishing this purpose through Radio Free Europe and new stations to be added in Europe and Asia; and

Whereas, this great effort represents the voice of our people reaching out to enslaved peoples everywhere offering them hope in this practical fight against Communism;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the period of September 4 to October 16, 1950, as dedicated to the

Crusade for Freedom

and ask the people of Maine to join this Crusade for Freedom in its fight against Communism. Have your family, friends and neighbors enroll, in-

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sure the participation and support of groups, clubs, and organizations of which you are a member. Help mobilize your community in this, our Crusade for Freedom.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this first day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, a widespread and intensified observance of Fire Prevention Week throughout the Nation may well bring about a reversal of the upward trend of losses caused by this dread enemy, and

Whereas, the citizens of Maine are aware of the need for making a saving of lives and property in the months ahead, and

Whereas, fire safety should be of paramount concern to each of us fifty-two weeks of the year, the designation of one week in October affords an opportunity to intensify educational and preventative activities;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 8-14, 1950, as

Fire Prevention Week

and request our schools, churches, service clubs and community groups to cooperate with local fire departments in observing this week in a manner

that will bring the need for safety effectively to the attention of all Maine people.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twentieth day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:
HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, we are once again cooperating in carrying out the purposes of the joint resolution of Congress proclaiming National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week; and

Whereas, The Maine Employment Security Commission is planning an active campaign to inform the general public and employers in particular of the wonderful work being done by hundreds of physically handicapped workers already placed in Maine industry; and

Whereas, it is important that public interest be further enlisted to aid this group of people who, through no fault of their own, are physically handicapped;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 1, 1950, as

Maine Employ the Physically Handicapped Week

and urge our towns and cities to lend their full support to the observance of this week. It is hoped, through the united effort of our various organiza-

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tions, churches, newspapers and radio, that we may awaken a tremendous public interest in relation to the employment of our physically handicapped.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-first day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the training our youth receives by serving as newsboys will be of tremendous benefit to them in later life; and

Whereas, they play an important part in our daily lives by bringing to our homes in all kinds of weather the happenings of the world; and

Whereas, we, in Maine, can give an added boost to the splendid work these news carriers are doing by showing our appreciation for the daily service they are rendering to us;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 7, 1950 as

Newspaper Boy Day

and urge the people of Maine to show appreciation to this group, who have served and are serving their employers and customers loyally and faithfully. The observances held on this day will kindle anew the spirit of in-

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dependence that is felt by all who have experienced the thrill of being a newspaper carrier.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this second day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, it has been the custom since the pilgrims first came to America to devote one day of giving thanks for our numerous blessings; and

Whereas, world affairs make us realize more forcibly the many, many causes for rejoicing that we, living in a democracy, are fortunate to possess; and

Whereas, our State has once again produced an outstanding harvest; and

Whereas, we, as a people, should acknowledge the blessings the Almighty Lord has bestowed upon us and offer our humble thanks to God and pray that people everywhere may some day be equally endowed as are we, of this nation;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 23, 1950, as

Thanksgiving Day

and request that appropriate observances be planned in our churches, homes and schools on this sacred and traditional day in appreciation of our divine benefits.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this eleventh day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:
HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

**Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution Providing for
Codification of the Constitution**

Whereas, the Ninety-fourth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved March 18, 1949 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

“Section 3 of Article X of the constitution of the state is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 3. The chief justice of the supreme judicial court shall arrange the constitution, as amended, under appropriate titles and in proper articles, parts and sections, omitting all sections, clauses and words not in force and making no other changes in the provisions or languages thereof, and shall submit the same to the legislature; and such arrangement of the constitution shall be made and submitted whenever a new revision of the public

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laws of the state is authorized; and the draft and arrangement, when approved by the legislature, shall be enrolled on parchment and deposited in the office of the secretary of state; and printed copies thereof shall be prefixed to the books containing the revised statutes of the state. And the constitution, with the amendments made thereto, in accordance with the provisions thereof, shall be the supreme law of the state.'” and

Whereas, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on October fifth, nineteen hundred and fifty, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 106,433 for, and 44,688 opposed;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the constitution.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

**Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution Providing a Change
in the Date of Filing Initiated Legislation**

Whereas, the Ninety-fourth Legislature of the State of Maine by a resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved April 4,

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1949 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

“The 1st sentence of section 18 of part third of article IV of the constitution of the state, which became a part of the constitution by the adoption of article XXXI, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

‘The electors may propose to the legislature for its consideration any bill, resolve or resolution, including bills to amend or repeal emergency legislation but not an amendment of the state constitution, by written petition addressed to the legislature or to either branch thereof and filed in the office of the secretary of state or presented to either branch of the legislature within 45 days after the date of convening of the legislature in regular session.’” and

Whereas, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on October fifth, nineteen hundred and fifty, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 101,116 for, and 46,238 opposed;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the constitution.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

**Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution Empowering the
Legislature with the Consent of the People to Authorize the Issuance
of State Bonds for any Purpose Stated in the Constitution**

Whereas, the Ninety-fourth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved April 25, 1949 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

“Section 14 of article IX of the constitution, as amended by articles XXXV, XLI, XLII, XLIII, XLV and LV, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 14. The credit of the state shall not be directly or indirectly loaned in any case. The legislature shall not create any debt or debts, liability or liabilities, on behalf of the state, which shall singly, or in the aggregate, with previous debts and liabilities hereafter incurred at any one time, exceed \$2,000,000, except that the legislature, whenever 2/3 of both houses shall deem it necessary, may, by proper enactment ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon at a general or special election, authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the state at such times and in such amounts as it may determine for the purposes of building state highways, intrastate, interstate and international bridges; to suppress insurrection, to repel invasion or for the purposes of war; to provide for the payment of a bonus to Maine soldiers and sailors in the war with Germany; or for the purposes of building and maintaining public wharves and for the establishment of adequate port facilities in the state of Maine; but this amendment shall not be construed to refer to any money that has been, or may be deposited with this state by the government of the United States, or to any fund which the state shall hold in trust for any Indian tribe.’” and

Whereas, it appears by the return of votes given in by the Electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on October fifth, nineteen hundred and fifty, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 112,035 for, and 44,124 opposed;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed,

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and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the constitution.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution Providing for the Issuing of Bonds to be Used for the Purpose of Building a Combination Highway and Railroad Bridge Across Fore River as Authorized by the Legislature

Whereas, the Ninety-fourth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 7, 1949 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

“Section 17 of Article IX of the Constitution, as amended by Article LVIII of the constitution, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following paragraph:

“The legislature may authorize, in addition to the bonds hereinbefore mentioned, the issuance of bonds not exceeding \$7,000,000 in amount at any one time payable within 15 years at a rate of interest not exceeding 2% per year, payable semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be devoted solely to provide in whole, or in connection with other funds, for the construction of a combination highway and railroad bridge, including highway

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approaches thereto, across Fore river between the cities of Portland and South Portland in Cumberland county, as authorized by the legislature and in accordance with the terms of such authorization.'” and

Whereas, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on October fifth, nineteen hundred and fifty, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 106,952 for, and 55,248 opposed;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the constitution.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Apportionment of the Number of Members of the House of Representatives to the Several Towns

Whereas, the Ninety-fourth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 7, 1949 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

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“Section 3 of part first of Article IV of the constitution, as amended by Article XXXIX, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 3. Each county shall be entitled to that number of representatives which is in the same proportion to the total number as the number of inhabitants of the county bears to the number of inhabitants of the state, fractional excesses over whole numbers to be computed in favor of the smaller counties. No city or town shall ever be entitled to more than 7 representatives, except that in the event of merger of towns or cities, the new town or city shall be allowed the combined representation of the former units, which number if exceeding 7 shall thereupon and thereafter become the maximum number to which any city or town shall thereafter be entitled in later apportionments. Apportionment of representatives within each county shall be made by deducting from the number of inhabitants of the county the number of inhabitants of such cities and towns as may be entitled to the maximum number of representatives permitted to any city or town by reason of the numerical proportion of its inhabitants to the inhabitants of the county and by deducting from the total number of representatives to which the county is entitled the number to which such cities and towns of maximum representation are entitled, the remaining inhabitants being entitled to the remaining representatives; and in the allocation of the remainder within the county each city or town having a number of inhabitants greater than a unit base number obtained by dividing such remaining inhabitants by such remaining representatives shall be entitled to as many representatives as the number of times the number of its inhabitants fully contains the unit base number of representation; and the remaining cities, towns and plantations within the county which have inhabitants in number less than such unit base number shall be formed into representative class districts in number equal to the remainder of county representatives unallocated under the foregoing procedure by grouping whole cities, towns and plantations as equitably as possible with consideration for population and for geographical contiguity.’” and

Whereas, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on October fifth, nineteen hundred and fifty, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 109,325 for, and 43,718 opposed;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed.

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and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the constitution.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, today, possibly more than at any time in our history, it is necessary that we rededicate ourselves to faith in the Almighty Lord; and

Whereas, we are once again faced with an international crisis that could well affect our religious standards and beliefs; and

Whereas, in times of trouble and strife, we have all gained comfort and relief in prayer;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 16 to 22, 1950, as

Maine Bible Week

and respectfully request the people of Maine to gain comfort and solace in these trying hours from this, the greatest book of all, the Bible. Added comfort can be obtained from attending the church of your choice, and by

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joining with millions of Americans everywhere who realize that prayer and faith in God will carry us through to our aim of "peace on earth."

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the women of America are being called on more and more to shoulder responsibility; and

Whereas, the efficient, conscientious manner in which they carry out their duties is becoming more and more a matter of fact; and

Whereas, international affairs means a shortage of manpower and the necessity for using this potential ability which has as yet been barely tapped; and

Whereas, the increased contribution women are making to the business world makes them a vital factor in the world of tomorrow;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of October 15 to 21, 1950, as

Business Women's Week

and urge the people of Maine to pay tribute to the women of our State who are following the theme "Measure Up" set by the Business & Professional Women's Clubs.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the fifth annual observance of United Nations Day is to be Tuesday, October 24; and

Whereas, the past year has brought home very realistically the value of an organization of the type of the United Nations; and

Whereas, the future of the world depends upon the diplomacy, tact, and power of the United Nations in order that it may give courage to "free people" everywhere and cast a shadow of fear over would-be aggressors; and

Whereas, in conjunction with local observances the Crusade for Freedom has arranged for the Freedom Bell to ring out its message of world freedom and friendship from Berlin, Germany, in the shadow of the Iron Curtain; and

Whereas, the United Nations Day Committee have made plans for bells to ring throughout the United States at the same time;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, October 24, 1950 as

United Nations Day

and request full cooperation of our communities throughout the State with the efforts of their respective United Nations Day Committees that have been arranging observances under the leadership of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this eighteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, nine out of ten Maine children are attacked by dental decay in permanent teeth by the age of ten; and

Whereas, many of these children needlessly lose permanent teeth through neglect; and

Whereas, the members of the Maine State Dental Society have set aside Monday, February 5, 1951, for the purpose of focusing public attention on the need for improving the dental health of our children in order to protect and promote their physical and mental well-being, and appearance; and for the additional purpose of increasing our general knowledge and acceptance of the facilities and procedures available for protecting our children from the ravages of dental decay;

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Let it be known that I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, have this day publicly proclaimed Monday, February 5, 1951, as

Children's Dental Health Day

in this State; and do earnestly urge all the citizens of the State to assist the members of the Maine State Dental Society in publicly observing the day with appropriate activities, and also to take full advantage of this opportunity to extend and improve our knowledge of the importance of children's dental health.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Maine to be affixed, at Augusta, on this 22nd day of January, 1951.

[Seal]

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, in this period of mobilization, cardiovascular diseases constitute a major threat to our national man power reserve and to the health and efficiency of our productive labor force; and

Whereas, the leading cause of death in our nation is disease of the heart and blood vessels and constitutes a major medical and health problem; and

Whereas, the Heart Association and its affiliate in Maine are again designating American Heart Week to bring to the attention of the people of our nation the need for cooperation of all to solve this vital medical problem;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the week of February 11-18 as

Maine Heart Week

and urge that appropriate activities be observed in our schools, churches, scientific bodies, civic associations and by our people generally, that proper cognizance be given to this important health program.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, the security of our nation is the first responsibility of the Armed Forces, of which the largest civilian component is the Organized Reserve; and

Whereas, our nation, faced with a potential enemy who threatens our liberties and way of life, calls upon its citizens to provide a trained ready force capable of defending our nation in this time of emergency; and

Whereas, the Organized Reserve Corps, a major factor in providing for the defense of our Country, a segment of your community life, requires the support of every citizen of this State;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the period from March 18 to April 18 as

Organized Reserve Corps Month

and do urge our citizens, especially the veterans of World War II to acquaint themselves with the Organized Reserve Program, both for the defense of their Country, and for their own personal security.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, we, in Maine, are intensely interested in conserving our natural resources; and

Whereas, our trees and forests have long been one of our most valued possessions, from an economic standpoint, as well as contributing greatly to our natural beauty; and

Whereas, our arborists in Maine, together with our garden clubs and other organizations are actively working to keep Maine's conservation program on a par with that of other States;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 27, 1951, as

Arbor Day

for the State of Maine, and urge our schools, clubs and other civic organizations to conduct appropriate ceremonies to help make our people "conservation minded."

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this tenth day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, the nineteenth day of May, 1951, has been designated by the President of the United States of America as Armed Forces Day; and

Whereas, our Armed Forces, in their various posts throughout the world, are courageously and unselfishly protecting and promoting the doctrines upon which our great Nation was founded; and

Whereas, it is appropriate that we at home render appropriate honor to those men and women, who are actively engaged in national defense as well as pay tribute to all veterans now honorably retired to civilian life;

Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim May 19, 1951 as

Armed Forces Day

and call upon my fellow citizens to display the Flag of the United States at their homes and places of business on Armed Forces Day and to participate in appropriate ceremonies in recognition of the skill, gallantry and uncom-

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promising devotion to duty characteristic of those men and women who have with high honor followed our Flag in peace and war.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,

Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, June 14, 1951 is the One Hundred Seventy-fourth Anniversary of the adoption by the Continental Congress of the first Flag of the United States of America; and

Whereas, our Nation's Flag, down through the years, has been the symbol of individual freedom, equal justice, equality of opportunity and representative government; and

Whereas, these ideals are once again being challenged in many parts of the world and our Nation is again fighting to protect and defend these ideals, it is fitting that the citizens of our great country renew their allegiance to our Flag;

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim June 14, 1951, as

Flag Day

and urge the citizens of Maine to display the Flag in appropriate places and to plan observances in honor of this great day in our Nation's history.

[Seal] Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR**

Whereas, a "Committee to Proclaim Liberty," consisting of fifty-six famous Americans—the same number that signed the Declaration of Independence, has been formed to reaffirm the spiritual foundation of our freedom; and

Whereas, fitting religious observances are being planned on the anniversary of our freedom, July 4; and

Whereas, the keynote of Independence Day was sounded in the Preamble to the Declaration of Independence, by these immortal words:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by the Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

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Now, therefore, I, Frederick G. Payne, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the period of June 30-July 6, 1951, as

Freedom Under God

in observance of Independence Week, and urge the people of Maine to plan appropriate spiritual observances on our nation's 175th Independence Day.

[Seal]

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta, and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth.

FREDERICK G. PAYNE,
Governor.

By the Governor:

HAROLD I. GOSS,
Secretary of State.