

[CHAPTER 183]

JOINT RESOLUTION

May 3, 1940
[H. J. Res. 437]
[Pub. Res., No. 67]

Authorizing the President of the United States of America to proclaim I Am An American Citizenship Day, for the recognition, observance, and commemoration of American citizenship.

Preamble.

Whereas some two million young men and women in the United States each year reach the age of twenty-one years; and Whereas it is desirable that the sovereign citizens of our Nation be prepared for the responsibilities and impressed with the significance of their status in our self-governing Republic: Therefore be it

I Am An American Day.
Third Sunday in May each year to be so designated.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the third Sunday in May each year be, and hereby is, set aside as Citizenship Day and that the President of the United States is hereby authorized and requested to issue annually a proclamation setting aside that day as a public occasion for the recognition of all who, by coming of age or naturalization, have attained the status of citizenship, and the day shall be designated as "I Am An American Day".

Observance invited.

That the civil and educational authorities of States, counties, cities, and towns be, and they are hereby, urged to make plans for the proper observance of this day and for the full instruction of future citizens in their responsibilities and opportunities as citizens of the United States and of the States and localities in which they reside.

Not to supersede present practices of similar nature.

Nothing herein shall be construed as changing, or attempting to change, the time or mode of any of the many altogether commendable observances of similar nature now being held from time to time, or periodically, but, to the contrary, such practices are hereby praised and encouraged.

Cooperation of judiciary, etc.

SEC. 2. Either at the time of the rendition of the decree of naturalization or at such other time as the judge may fix, the judge or someone designated by him shall address the newly naturalized citizen upon the form and genius of our Government and the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship; it being the intent and purpose of this section to enlist the aid of the judiciary, in cooperation with civil and educational authorities, and patriotic organizations in a continuous effort to dignify and emphasize the significance of citizenship.

Approved, May 3, 1940.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

May 3, 1940
[S. J. Res. 199]
[Pub. Res., No. 68]

Amending Public Resolution Numbered 112 of the Seventy-fifth Congress and Public Resolution Numbered 48 of the Seventy-sixth Congress.

Joint congressional committee on phosphate resources of United States, continuance authorized.
52 Stat. 704; 53 Stat. 1346.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the life of the committee provided for by Public Resolution Numbered 112 of the Seventy-fifth Congress creating a Joint Congressional Committee to Investigate the Adequacy and Use of the Phosphate Resources of the United States, and Public Resolution Numbered 48 of the Seventy-sixth Congress, and the time for making its final report is extended to January 15, 1941.

Approved, May 3, 1940.

[CHAPTER 185]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend section 5 (b) of the Act of October 6, 1917, as amended, and for other purposes.

May 7, 1940
[S. J. Res. 252]
[Pub. Res., No. 69]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of subdivision (b) of section 5 of the Act of October 6, 1917 (40 Stat. 411), as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Trading with the enemy Act, amendment.
40 Stat. 415.
12 U. S. C. § 95a.
Regulation, etc., of foreign exchange, coin exports, property transfers, etc.

“During time of war or during any other period of national emergency declared by the President, the President may, through any agency that he may designate, or otherwise, investigate, regulate, or prohibit, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, by means of licenses or otherwise, any transactions in foreign exchange, transfers of credit between or payments by or to banking institutions as defined by the President, and export, hoarding, melting, or earmarking of gold or silver coin or bullion or currency, and any transfer, withdrawal or exportation of, or dealing in, any evidences of indebtedness or evidences of ownership of property in which any foreign state or a national or political subdivision thereof, as defined by the President, has any interest, by any person within the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof; and the President may require any person to furnish under oath, complete information relative to any transaction referred to in this subdivision or to any property in which any such foreign state, national or political subdivision has any interest, including the production of any books of account, contracts, letters, or other papers, in connection therewith in the custody or control of such person, either before or after such transaction is completed.”

Testimony, books, etc.

SEC. 2. Executive Order Numbered 8389 of April 10, 1940, and the regulations and general rulings issued thereunder by the Secretary of the Treasury are hereby approved and confirmed.

Executive order, etc., confirmed.

SEC. 3. Nothing in this Joint Resolution shall be deemed to repeal or to modify in any manner any of the provisions of the Act of April 13, 1934, 48 Stat. 574 (the Johnson Act) or of the Neutrality Act of 1939 (Public Resolution Numbered 54, Seventy-sixth Congress).

Prior laws unaffected.
31 U. S. C. § 804a.
Ante, p. 4.
22 U. S. C., Supp. V, §§ 245j—245j-19.

Approved, May 7, 1940.

[CHAPTER 186]

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to accept on behalf of the United States a bequest of certain personal property of the late Dudley F. Wolfe.

May 11, 1940
[S. 3098]
[Public, No. 506]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby, authorized to accept on behalf of the United States the personal property bequeathed to the United States Naval Academy by the terms of the will of the late Dudley F. Wolfe.

Property bequeathed by Dudley F. Wolfe.
Acceptance.

SEC. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

Appropriation authorized.

Approved, May 11, 1940.