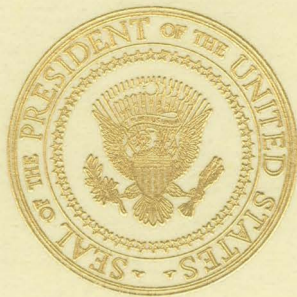


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National Student Government Day, 1974

*By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation*

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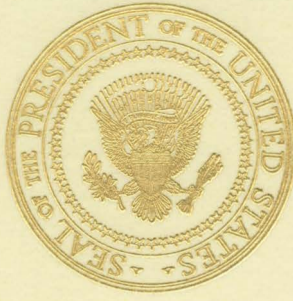
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NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim October 29, 1974, as National Student Government Day. I invite the Governors of the States and of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and other officials at the local level to issue similar proclamations.

I also urge all educational institutions to join in appropriate activities to highlight the importance of student government and to encourage wide participation in its activities. I further urge all students in our country to acquaint themselves fully with their own student government associations and to play a constructive role in contributing to their success.

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

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The date is October 29, 1974.

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MEMORANDUM


THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 6, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Marguerite McAuliffe

The President has signed a Proclamation entitled:

"National Student Government Day, 1974"


Robert D. Linder
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Spoke with Ching Powell who re-
quested several Proclamations for interested
individuals who needed them before
the opening of the school year. Sent
her 10. She promised a list of
recipients for the remaining Proclama-
tions.

