

H.G. Proclamation history.

1949, 1950, 1951. The late George Strachan solicited the first Proclamations from the then mayor Martin Kennelly.

1962: I learned that this is done as a public relations service, so I requested annually. Chicago School directors objected to requests in School name, so from 1969 on I wrote in name of Free Enterprise Association.

Also, most Proclamations issued around country since 1962 were obtained because I contacted persons or mayors to this include Henry George Day among their many requests.

1962- 1976: Proclaimed annually by the late mayor Richard J. Daley (Chicago)

1977- 1978: " by Michael J. Biandic.

1979-80-81 " by Jane Byrne, but ignored 1982.

1983: In June I shall solicit Harold Washington's signature as new mayor.

1975-1976: Proclaimed by Governor Dan Walker (d) (the late Gov. Otto Kerner ignored us)

1977-1982: " " " James R. Thompson (r)

about 1950: " " mayor of that time for Philadelphia, Pa.

1978: " " " Frank Rizzo, Philadelphia.

1979: Henry George month proclaimed By Frank Rizzo for 100th anniversary of P&P.

1964: Henry George Week proclaimed by mayor Robert Wagner for HG Int'l Conference, NYC

1979: " " Weeks " by Gov. Brendon Byrne for Progress & Poverty Centennial (NJ Jersey)

1977: " " Days " " Acting Gov. Martin J. Schreiber, Wisconsin, for Conference.

1976: " " " " " mayor Edgar Vanneman, Jr., Evanston, IL, for Conference there.

1974: HG Day proclaimed by mayor Joseph L. Alioto, San Francisco, CA.

1975: " " " by mayor John H. Reading, Oakland, CA.

1978: " " " " " George R. Moscone, San Francisco.

(1975 Gathy Sovell of San Francisco requested of mayors of Oakland & Berkeley also.)

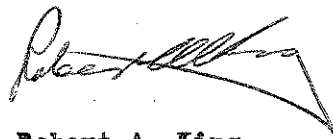
These are all I find in my collection, the only ones others have sent to me.

The late John T. Tetley, former director of HG School New Jersey, enthusiastically solicited his governor's proclamation that one year and tried unsuccessfully to get one from mayor of Newark.

Anyone having copies of any other Proclamations is asked to send copy to me.

In the meantime, I urge everyone to request of your mayors and governors far in advance (June or July) to name September second as HG day locally.

I outlived two men that I'd asked to carry on this Proclamation tradition in Chicago and Illinois. I hope to find someone else to keep it going, because at age 72 I only have 28 more years to continue.



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Dear Bob, I received 100 of these letters, I think I'll send you a copy of new proclamation on George.

Dear Friend:

The proposed proclamation below was sent to my mayor, Jane Byrne, and a similar one to my Governor Jim Thompson.

For 20 years I've been urging Georgist associates crosscountry to do likewise. Chicago still holds the record for the most Proclamations.

A line or two is enough: Please sign the attached Proclamation or one of your own wording. Thank you.

Appropriate ceremonies is wishful thinking, but over the years I've at least tried to promote something. I've followed up by submitting signed script to papers.

WHEREAS, September 2, 1981 marks the 142nd anniversary of the birth of Henry George, author of Progress and Poverty and other works; and

WHEREAS, seeing vice and misery in his time, he set forth to solve our social ills by giving builders and industry tax incentive to build, thus bringing about full employment; and

WHEREAS, people in public service are today reexamining proposals of this great lecturer, philosopher and statesman to solve their local problems; and

WHEREAS, throughout the country his followers observe his birthday by renewing their educational efforts with appropriate ceremonies:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____ do hereby proclaim Wednesday, September the second, 1981 AD as HENRY GEORGE DAY IN _____ and urge fellow citizens to take note of special events planned for that day.

See the...