

Proclamation



LOYALTY DAY

MAY 1, 2015

WHEREAS, National Loyalty Day is observed on May 1 as a day set aside to reaffirm loyalty to the United States and for recognition of our freedom; and

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day was first observed in 1921 as Americanization Day and President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaimed the first official observance of Loyalty Day on May 1, 1959; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifices made by these individuals of our Armed Forces have helped to preserve the liberties that have enriched this nation; and

WHEREAS, many have risked their lives to bring and keep freedom to this nation; and

WHEREAS, as Americans, we should be encouraged to reaffirm our allegiance to this nation and to give back to a country that has provided freedom and opportunity for all:

NOW THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2015, in Washington, D.C. as "LOYALTY DAY".

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Muriel Bowser". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

