

PROC. NO. 5574. THE ROSE PROCLAIMED THE NATIONAL
FLORAL EMBLEM OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Proc. No. 5574, Nov. 20, 1986, 51 F.R. 42197, provided:
Americans have always loved the flowers with which
God decorates our land. More often than any other
flower, we hold the rose dear as the symbol of life and
love and devotion, of beauty and eternity. For the love
of man and woman, for the love of mankind and God,
for the love of country, Americans who would speak the
language of the heart do so with a rose.

We see proofs of this everywhere. The study of fossils
reveals that the rose has existed in America for age
upon age. We have always cultivated roses in our gar-
dens. Our first President, George Washington, bred
roses, and a variety he named after his mother is still
grown today. The White House itself boasts a beautiful
Rose Garden. We grow roses in all our fifty States. We
find roses throughout our art, music, and literature.
We decorate our celebrations and parades with roses.
Most of all, we present roses to those we love, and we
lavish them on our altars, our civil shrines, and the
final resting places of our honored dead.

The American people have long held a special place in
their hearts for roses. Let us continue to cherish them,
to honor the love and devotion they represent, and to
bestow them on all we love just as God has bestowed
them on us.

The Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 159 [Pub. L.
99-449, now this section], has designated the rose as the
National Floral Emblem of the United States and au-
thorized and requested the President to issue a procla-
mation declaring this fact.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President
of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim
the rose as the National Floral Emblem of the United
States of America.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
hand this twentieth day of November, in the year of our
Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-six, and of the Inde-
pendence of the United States of America the two hun-
dred and eleventh.

RONALD REAGAN.

§ 304. National march

The composition by John Philip Sousa enti-
tled "The Stars and Stripes Forever" is the na-
tional march.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1263.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
304	36:188.	Dec. 11, 1987, Pub. L. 100-186, 101 Stat. 1286.

§ 305. National tree

The tree genus Quercus, commonly known as
the oak tree, is the national tree.

(Added Pub. L. 108-447, div. J, title I, §109(a),
Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3344.)

CHAPTER 5—PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL
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2006—Pub. L. 109-284, §5(1), (2), Sept. 27, 2006, 120 Stat.
1211, added item 510 and redesignated former item 510 as
511.

§ 501. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter—

(1) "Inaugural Committee" means the com-
mittee appointed by the President-elect to be
in charge of the Presidential inaugural cere-
mony and functions and activities connected
with the ceremony; and

(2) "inaugural period" means the period that
includes the day on which the Presidential in-
augural ceremony is held, the 5 calendar days
immediately preceding that day, and the 4 cal-
endar days immediately following that day.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1263.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
501	36:721(b). 36:730.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 974, §1(b), 70 Stat. 1049. Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 974, §10, as added Jan. 30, 1968, Pub. L. 90-251, §4, 82 Stat. 4.

In this chapter, the word "Mayor" is substituted for
"Commissioners" in the Presidential Inaugural Cer-
emonies Act (ch. 974, 70 Stat. 1049) [subsequently
changed to "Commissioner" in 36:ch. 30 because section
401 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1967 (5 App. U.S.C.)
transferred the functions of the Board of Commis-
sioners of the District of Columbia to the Commis-
sioner of the District of Columbia and because of 36:730]
because of sections 421 and 711 of the District of Colum-
bia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization
Act (Public Law 93-198, 87 Stat. 789, 818), which abo-
lished the office of Commissioner of the District of Co-
lumbia and replaced it with the office of Mayor of the
District of Columbia.

In this section, the text of 36:721(b)(3)–(5) is omitted
because the complete names of the Mayor of the Dis-
trict of Columbia and the Secretaries of Defense and of
the Interior are used the first time the terms appear in
a section.

§ 502. Regulations, licenses, and registration tags

(a) REGULATIONS AND LICENSES.—For each in-
augural period, the Council of the District of Co-
lumbia shall—

(1) prescribe reasonable regulations nec-
essary to preserve public order and protect
life, health, and property;

(2) prescribe special regulations related to
the standing, movement, and operation of ve-
hicles; and

(3) grant special licenses to peddlers and
vendors to sell merchandise in places the
Council considers proper, subject to conditions
and fees for the licenses the Council considers
proper.

(b) REGISTRATION TAGS.—The Mayor of the
District of Columbia may issue, for any motor