

February 11, 1909.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

A PROCLAMATION

Abraham Lincoln.
Centennial anniversary
of birth of.
Preamble.

WHEREAS by Joint Resolution of Congress it is provided "That the twelfth day of February, nineteen hundred and nine, the same being the centennial anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, be and the same is hereby, made a special legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the Territories of the United States";

And WHEREAS by the said Joint Resolution the President is authorized to issue a proclamation in accordance with the foregoing setting apart the twelfth day of February, nineteen hundred and nine, as a special legal holiday;

February 12, 1909.
made a special legal
holiday.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THEODORE ROOSEVELT, President of the United States of America, in virtue of the authority conferred upon me by the said Joint Resolution, do hereby set apart the twelfth day of February, nineteen hundred and nine, as a special legal holiday.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine, [SEAL.] and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-third.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

By the President:
ROBERT BACON
Secretary of State.