FOREWORD

This volume of Presidential Proclamations and Executive Orders supplements a volume issued in 1946. It includes proclamations, Secretarial orders, and Executive Orders affecting the National Park Service issued from January 1, 1945 to January 20, 2001 from the Administrations of President Harry S Truman through President William J. Clinton. These two volumes, along with the compilations of National Park Service laws, provide a source for laws that govern the establishment and administration of units and affiliated areas of the National Park System as well as executive orders that guide their operations.

The *U.S. Code Congressional and Administrative News* was the source for the text of the proclamations and executive orders issued prior to 1993 that are found in this volume. Some of the text had previously been provided to us in electronic format after having been typed into a computer, while the rest was scanned into a computer. The text was reformatted to fit the size requirements for the page and to exclude extraneous material. A line of stars in the text denotes omitted material. Since these processes are technologically imperfect, we have made every effort to have as complete and accurate a text as possible. We encourage you to check the *United States Statutes at Large* (Statutes at Large) if you have any doubt about the official text of the law.

The text of proclamations and executive orders issued since 1993 was taken from the electronic version available on web sites provided by the White House, the National Archives and Records Administration, and the Government Printing Office. We have found this text to be complete and accurate, as it does not have the technological problems faced with the scanned material.

The text for the Secretarial Orders found under the National Historic Sites section of the volume was taken from the *Federal Register (Register)*, or in the case of a couple of orders that were not printed in the *Register*, we used the language found in a copy of the actual order. The source text of the laws found in Appendix I is the *Statutes at Large*.

In order to insure that another 50 years does not pass before additional proclamations are made available for use, the Office of Legislative and Congressional Affairs has included proclamations and executive orders from the first two years of the Administration of President George W. Bush in the National Park Laws compilation for the 107th Congress. We will continue to print recent proclamations and orders in these compilation volumes, which are issued every two years for the preceding Congress.

We express our thanks to several people who helped to make this volume a reality. Frank Buono, a former National Park Service employee, provided us with an electronic version of the text of several proclamations and orders issued prior to January 20, 1993, which he had typed into his computer. His willingness to share this text saved us much time and effort in preparing this volume. We appreciate and recognize the contribution he has made to his colleagues in the National Park Service and those who will benefit from this volume in the future.

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