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Selectman of the Town of Chilmark  
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 P.O. Box 119  
 401 Middle Road, Beetlebung Corners  
 Chilmark, MA 02535

Dear Selectman,

Every day, the United Nations and its family of agencies work to improve people's lives throughout the world through peace-building, environmental sustainability, emergency relief, human rights, and global health work. We invite you to join us this year in recognizing the important work of the UN on October 24, 2012, the 67th anniversary of the United Nations. Since 1947, every US President beginning with Harry Truman has issued a proclamation asking citizens to observe this special occasion. This year's celebration focuses on the topic "The United Nations: Solutions for a Prosperous World".

We hope you will recognize October 24, 2012 as United Nations Day and ask other interested individuals, groups or schools in your community to participate in UN Day activities.

To mark the day, we encourage you to:

- Issue a UN Day proclamation
  - Sample enclosed (for electronic version, email [info@unagb.org](mailto:info@unagb.org))
  - Please mail the proclamation to UNA-GB
  - Notify local newspapers so they can publish the proclamation on UN Day
- Fly the United Nations Flag
- Encourage educators to conduct Model UN simulations
- Encourage libraries to show displays on the United Nations

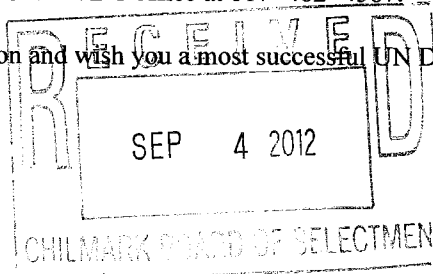
We will feature all of the proclamations that we receive at Boston's City Hall and the Massachusetts State House during our UN Day public events. The proclamations will also be on display at our annual UN Day Luncheon on Monday, October 29 in downtown Boston, where more than 250 business and community leaders will gather to recognize the importance of global engagement. Please let us know if you are interested in attending any of these events

UNA-GB will be pleased to provide any additional assistance to you or other interested community leaders in planning a local UN Day celebration. For ideas about how your town can commemorate UN Day, or for further information, please contact UNA-GB's office at 617- 482- 4587.

We look forward to receiving your proclamation and wish you a most successful UN Day 2012!

Sincerely,

Richard Golob  
 President, UNA-GB



## SAMPLE UNITED NATIONS DAY PROCLAMATION 2011: The United Nations: In Everyone's Interest

**Whereas**, the United Nations was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24; and

**Whereas**, the United Nations promotes peace and security, development, democracy, economic prosperity, global health and human rights around the world, and is vital now more than ever; and

**Whereas**, the United Nations works to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, by providing a common development strategy for the international community, improving coordination, coherence, and effectiveness within the UN system, the donor community and developing countries; and

**Whereas**, the Goals address universal issues from poverty and access to education to improving healthcare and environmental sustainability and enjoy unprecedented political support because they are specific and measurable, with a deadline and indicators for monitoring progress attached to each goal; and

**Whereas**, the United States has a long tradition of leading international efforts to improve health, education and economic growth in developing countries; and has shown its commitment to the Millennium Development Goals through foreign assistance, progressive trade initiatives, and debt relief measures; and

**Whereas**, a bipartisan poll conducted in April revealed that more than eight out of ten voters say it is important that the United States maintain an active role within the UN;

**Whereas**, the UNA-USA and United Nations Foundation have declared "The United Nations: Solutions for a Prosperous World" as its theme for the 2012 United Nations Day commemoration

**Whereas**, the United Nations Association of Greater Boston is committed to educating and mobilizing our local communities to build a stronger network of global citizens and leaders to create a more prosperous, just and sustainable world;

**Whereas**, the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_ should participate in all activities related to UN Day;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I** \_\_\_\_\_ **officially proclaim** October 24, 2012 as

**UNITED NATIONS DAY**

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of \_\_\_\_\_ to be affixed on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 2012.

Seal  
Signature