

Appartment of the Interior

DESIGNATION OF WRIGLEY FIELD AS A NATIONAL HISTORICAL LANDMARK

By the Secretary of the Interior of the United States of America

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Wrigley Field is the oldest standing National League ballpark and the secondoldest major league ballpark; and

WHEREAS, Wrigley Field, having been built in 1914, has been the home of the Chicago Cubs baseball team since 1916; and

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WHEREAS, Wrigley Field is also significant in the history of professional football, as being the longtime playing field for the Chicago Bears until the end of the 1970 season; and

WHEREAS, National Historic Landmarks are buildings, sites, districts, structures, and objects that have been determined by the Secretary of the Interior to be nationally significant in American history and culture; and

WHEREAS, Wrigley Field is a property of exceptional national significance in the history of American sports; and

WHEREAS, Wrigley Field retains a high degree of material integrity due to its continuous use as a sports venue and as a result of recent historically appropriate rehabilitations.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the national importance of Wrigley Field in Chicago, Illinois, and the events which occurred there, I, David L. Bernhardt, Secretary of the Interior, do designate Wrigley Field a National Historic Landmark.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, in recognition of this historic site, I have hereunto set my hand on this May of _______, the two hundred and forty-fifth year of independence of the United States of America.

Secretary of the Interior