

Office of the President
Borough of Queens
City of New York

Proclamation

Greeting:

Whereas,

U.S. Census figures this century show Americans of German ancestry to be the largest ethnic group in the U.S. in 24 of America's 50 states; and

Whereas,

28 of New York State's 62 counties have residents of German descent as their single largest ethnic group; and

Whereas,

the 55th annual German-American Stuben Parade will honor the memory of General (Baron) Friedrich Wilhelm von Stuben, the Prussian military strategist, who was critical to the victory of George Washington's forces over the British Army during the Revolutionary War; and

Whereas,

the annual German-American Stuben Parade, under the leadership of Mr. Lars Halter, attracts a worldwide audience and recalls outstanding German Americans, including President Dwight Eisenhower, baseball legend Babe Ruth, Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Nobel Prize recipient Dr. Guenther Blobel, Bankers' owner George Stembrenner, and many others; and

Whereas,

the 2010 German-American Stuben Parade will be held on Sunday, September 26th.

Now, therefore, I, Helen M. Marshall, President of the Borough of Queens in the City of New York, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 25th, 2010 as

German-American Stuben Parade Day

in Queens, in recognition of the outstanding individuals and families of German descent who have contributed greatly to the growth and progress of this nation, and in recognition of the legacy of General von Stuben.

Done at Queens Borough Hall, New Gardens, in the City of New York, on this the twenty-fourth day of September in the year two thousand and ten.



Helen M. Marshall
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