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### **Celebrating America's Birthday with Old Glory**

*The Flag Manufacturers Association of America Encourages all Americans  
to Wave their American Flags for Independence Day*

(Wayne, PA, June 21, 2013) . . . In honor of Independence Day on Thursday, July 4th, the Flag Manufacturers Association of America (FMAA) hopes that all citizens will proudly wave the American flag as they celebrate with picnics, fireworks, and parades.

Independence Day honors the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. Americans are inspired to make speeches, sing patriotic songs, and wear red, white, and blue to celebrate their freedoms, liberties, and democracy. The flag, a symbol of patriotism, is an important part of observing this holiday.

United States law requires every flag be labeled with its "country of origin." Those designated as "Made in USA" may be true to their name, but only those bearing the FMAA Certification seal are guaranteed to adhere to the standards and continued compliance as monitored by a professional association and its domestic members. When raising Old Glory, look for the FMAA Certification Seal to be sure it is truly an American made flag.

In 2005, FMAA launched its "Certified Made in the USA" certification program, designed to ensure that all American flags purchased are made in the U.S. of materials that are domestic in origin and that all processes involved in its manufacture were completed in U.S. facilities with U.S. labor. The FMAA monitors and requires re-certification from its member manufacturers every year.

The Flag Manufacturers Association of America is a non-profit trade association, established in 2003, dedicated to educating and promoting the quality, variety, and proper use of flags manufactured in the United States.

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