STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation of Navy Week and Navy Day

WHEREAS, October 27, 1947, marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of Navy Day in our Nation and it is most appropriate that a special day be set aside each year for a grateful people to pay tribute to our United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Navy Day, this year, "Navy Day—Victor in War, Guardian in Peace," is especially significant in these days of unsettled and troubled world conditions and should serve as a grim reminder that we can build lasting peace and security only if America remains strong; and

WHEREAS, we must recognize that the maintenance and growth of our Navy is the concern of every patriotic citizen; and

WHEREAS, we must further recognize that a well-trained and ready Naval Reserve is a vital arm of an effective Navy and we should encourage membership in the service by qualified citizens of our state; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Minnesota men and women served gallantly with the forces of the United States Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps in the winning of victory in World War II; and

WHEREAS, we remember with gratitude and reverence those who gave their lives in the attainment of peace and are determined they shall not have died in vain; and

WHEREAS, we can keep faith with them by remaining strong, vigilant and free, with our Navy as a powerful, alert unit of our unified command for defense; now

THEREFORE, I, LUTHER W. YOUNGDAHL, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 21 to 27 as Navy Week and Monday, October 27, as Navy Day, and urge all citizens to direct their attention to the Navy and its service to mankind and to participate in public meetings honoring our United States Navy. I further ask that the flag be flown from all public buildings in observance of Navy Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol in St. Paul this sixteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred forty-seven and of the State the ninetieth.

Luther W Youngdahl
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Mike Holm
SECRETARY OF STATE

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