

EXECUTIVE DECISION

A Proclamation of "Gold Star Home Defense Day"

- WHEREAS, war came to America with the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, and in the winning of victory more than 300,000 of our sons and daughters sacrificed their lives; and
- WHEREAS, the National Council of American War Veterans has requested that December 7 be set aside in devoted memory to the sons and daughters who did not return from the war that they won; and
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota State Association of American War Veterans is joining in this nation-wide observance to be known as "Gold Star Home Defense Day"; and
- WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota is conducting special ceremonies commemorating Minnesota war dead on the occasion of the retirement of World War II bonds; and
- WHEREAS, it is most fitting that all people of our nation should take part in this grateful remembrance and consecrated tribute to the fallen heroes who gave their lives that we might remain free and enjoy the blessings of peace;

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THE PRESIDENT, I. THOMAS, JR., GOVERNOR of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, December 7, as

"Gold Star Home Defense Day"

and call upon all citizens to observe this day in our churches and homes with a spirit of grateful gratitude to the heroic sons and daughters who gave their lives for us and the future of the nation they loved.

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 second day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven and of the state the ninetieth.

Luther W. Youngdahl
GOVERNOR

W. H. Johnson

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Secretary of State

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