

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on January 29, 1922, a Mandate was awarded by the Council of the League of Nations wherein Great Britain was designated as mandatory for the purpose of "bringing into effect the declaration originally made on November 2, 1917 by the government of His Britannic Majesty and adopted by the said League in favor of the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people;" and

WHEREAS, said international Mandate further provided that Great Britain, the mandatory, shall be responsible for placing the country under such political, administrative and economic conditions as will secure the establishment of the Jewish National Home, and

WHEREAS, on November 29, 1947, the General Assembly of the United Nations at the request of Great Britain, the Mandatory, considered and deliberated upon the present status of Palestine, and its Arab and Jewish populations and determined that separate Jewish and Arab states shall be set up and partitioned out of Palestine's territory and outlined the boundaries of such states; and

WHEREAS, Great Britain has renounced the Mandate over Palestine, effective May 15, 1948, and the Jewish Agency for Palestine which was designated by the League of Nations under Article Four and six of the Mandate to aid "in establishment of the Jewish National Home" has proclaimed that the Jewish state created by the United Nations partition decisions which came into being upon termination of Great Britain's Mandate.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS W. SWENSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, speaking on behalf of the people of the state of Minnesota and having due regard for the recognition given by the League of Nations and United Nations "to the historical connection of the Jewish people with Palestine and to the grounds for reconstituting their national home in that country" and recognizing the long-established position of the United States of America favoring "the establishment of Palestine as a national home for the Jewish people" as expressed in a joint resolution of Congress of June 30, 1922, do hereby designate Sunday, May 16, 1948, as "Jewish Palestine State Day", and upon behalf of the great state of Minnesota, do hereby herald the birth of the new Jewish State in the old home land and wish greetings to this new outpost of democracy in the near east with prayers and hope for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and peace throughout the land of Palestine and to all the inhabitants thereof.

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 fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight and of the state the ninety-first.

ATTEST:

Walter A. Olson
Secy of State

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