

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for "Minnesota Conservation Week" and "Arbor and Bird Day"

WHEREAS, in this year of 1949, our Minnesota Centennial Anniversary, we celebrate one hundred years of progress and growth during which the beautiful resources of our state have been converted by the energy and ingenuity of ambitious people into the materials and wealth of today; and

WHEREAS, during this first century there has been a steady drain on the vital resources with which Minnesota has been endowed and;

WHEREAS, it is most important, therefore, that we should observe the Centennial Year by reenergizing ourselves to the continuous task of conservation, for only through the preservation and careful utilization of our soil, forests, water and wildlife can we hope to continue the progress of our state; and

WHEREAS, all citizens have a responsibility in this restoration and conservation of our natural resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LUTHER W. GUNDEL, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby designate the week of May 1st to 7th, 1949, as

"MINNESOTA CONSERVATION WEEK"

and Friday, May 6th as

"ARBOR AND BIRD DAY"

and urge all schools, interested public agencies and all organizations and groups concerned with conservation to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and programs of education, the day by planting trees in furtherance of the state-wide tree planting program of the Department of Conservation and by providing sanctuaries for birds and other wildlife.

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 Saint Paul this twenty-eighth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine and of the state, the ninety-first.

*Luther W. Gundel*  
Governor

ATTEST:

*Mike Stolue*  
Secretary of State

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