

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, one of the most essential community services is that provided by the capable, courageous group of men who fight the fires, which frequently endanger the human life and property of our state; and

WHEREAS, more than ninety per cent of our communities rely upon volunteer firemen for this necessary protection from fire; and

WHEREAS, these volunteer firemen give unselfishly of their time and energy and often risk their lives in striving to save fellow citizens from death and property from destruction; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we should express our gratitude to the volunteer firemen who so faithfully and nobly perform this high public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LUTHER W. FERGUSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 7, as

"NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIREMEN RECOGNITION DAY"

in honor of this band of citizens to whom we are greatly indebted and urge every person to constantly strive to prevent the carelessness which caused most fires and to support the volunteer fire departments so that they may be adequately provided with effective fire fighting equipment.

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 this twenty-fourth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred fifty and of the State the ninety-third.

Luther W. Ferguson
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Mike Holm
SECRETARY OF STATE

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