

On this 7th day of May, 1918, Governor Eberhart duly issued and caused to be filed in the Executive Department of the State of Minnesota, his proclamation as follows:

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION.

Recognizing the primacy of the home in the economy of human life and with a full realization of the fact that the mother is the guiding and directing influence of every home, I, Adolph O. Eberhart

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF
MINNESOTA.

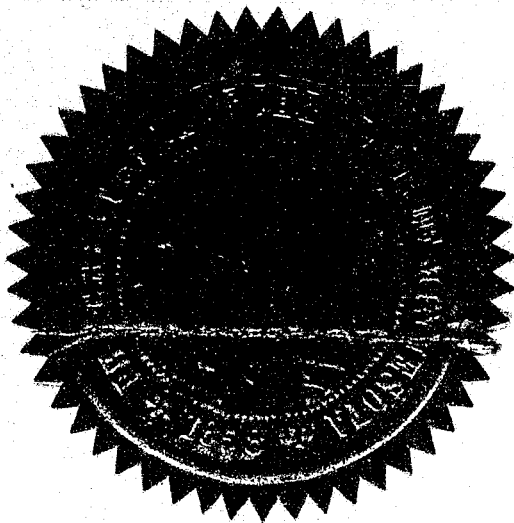
hereby set apart and designate the second Sabbath, May 11th, in our national memorial month, as

MOTHERS' DAY.

No more fitting tribute can be paid to those who exert the tenderest and most genuine influences in our lives than a proper observance of that day. In the lives of all of us there must come a keen realization of the debt of gratitude and the overwhelming obligation of love to the mothers who have cared for us from earliest infancy, who have watched over our childhood with the deep solicitude that only mother-love can know, who have shared our hopes and ambitions, and who have shed over our later years the highest benediction of womanhood which is contained in motherhood.

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In the heart of every man and of every woman there is an unpaid debt of gratitude. No recompense can ever be made for the love and sorrow and the joy contained in motherhood and which has been given us without measure and without hope of reward. Whether successful or not all men must join with Lincoln when he said: "All that I am or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother". Therefore, in the homes, in the school, social, civil, military and religious organizations, this day should be especially given over to the recognition of the debt of gratitude we all owe to the mother in our home and a proper observance of this occasion. Official, professional and business classes are asked to join in the observance of this day and I further urge that the day be given special honor in the churches of the state. It has become customary to distribute and wear the white carnation on this day - the white flower symbolizing the purity and beauty of mother-love.



As witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed, at the Capital, in the City of St. Paul, this seventh day of May, A. D. 1913.

Adolph G. Sherburne

Governor.

Attest:

Julius A. Schuchel,

Secretary of State.

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A. H. Hayes,

Executive Clerk.