

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for "Conservation of Vision Week"

WHEREAS, unimpaired vision is one the most precious elements of good health and vital to the fullest enjoyment and usefulness of life; and

WHEREAS, the conservation of eye sight requires the continued practice of safety rules by all citizens and constant vigilance to detect early symptoms of eye defects, particularly among our children; and

WHEREAS, careful research shows that seventy-five per cent of all blindness can be prevented by practicing proper rules for the care of the eyes, by using industrial safe-guards, by insuring proper lighting in the home, school and work shop and by obtaining proper professional care; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Society for the Prevention of Blindness, in conjunction with the Minnesota Safety Council and the Minnesota Department of Education, has worked out a sound program of preventive measures and education which is of benefit to everyone;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LUTHER W. YOUNGDALE, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 22 to 28, 1950, as

CONSERVATION OF VISION WEEK

to help create an awareness of the importance of vision and the necessity of conserving sight. I urge all parents, teachers, members of labor and management and all other citizens to join in this campaign to attain better lighting in our homes, schools, work shops and factories and to develop good habits of eye safety in work, study and play. Let us further stress the necessity of prompt professional service for eye disease and defects. I especially urge all educational, welfare and civic agencies whole-hearted cooperation in this effort, not only during this special week, but during the entire year.

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 twentieth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty and of the state, the ninety-third.

Luther W. Youngdale
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Miss Helen
SECRETARY OF STATE

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