

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

A Proclamation for "Thanksgiving Day"

WHEREAS, we in Minnesota have again enjoyed the rich blessings of a bountiful harvest, for which we are truly grateful to Almighty God; and

WHEREAS, our beloved nation was founded by devout people, who established the cherished custom of observing a special Day of Thanksgiving so that Americans of all creeds might join in an expression of humble gratitude to God for His Providence; and

WHEREAS, of all our national holidays, none is more typically American in its origin and significance than Thanksgiving Day, designated as the Fourth Thursday in November by statute; and

WHEREAS, on this Thanksgiving Day, as the cause of democracy and human liberty is threatened in the world, we should give humble thanks for the heritage of freedom that is ours and rededicate ourselves to its preservation and strengthening; and

WHEREAS, we seek on this day to appreciate of our responsibility to help millions of our world neighbors who, through the tragedy of war and other misfortunes, have been rendered homeless and impoverished and are in great need of a helping hand from us;

WE THEREFORE, I, LUTHER W. YOUNGBLOOD, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 26, 1959, as

"THANKSGIVING DAY"

and urge all citizens to make their observance one of thoughtful prayer and Thanksgiving, of recommitment to the noble ideals of our nation by special religious and patriotic programs, by the appropriate display of the flag of our country, and by unselfishly sharing our bountiful supplies of food with those of our fellow men who are in need.

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

*Luther W. Youngblood*

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
THE GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA  
LUTHER W. YOUNGBLOOD  
OCT 10 1959

*John A. Johnson*  
Secretary of State

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ATTACHED:

*Mike Holan*  
Secretary of State