STATE OF MINNESOTA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

PROCLAMATION.

Abundant reasons for thankfulness on the part of the people of Minnesota exist in these closing months of the year 1913. As we acquire a perspective of the year that is closing, it is evident that the people of our state have every reason to be grateful and to acknowledge the permanent blessings that have come from the Supreme Giver of all things. Never before in the history of our state have conditions been so gratifying. Industrial peace prevails, prosperity reigns, and happiness and contentment vie with each other in the joy of life. Our moral life has become purer. our industrial prosperity greater, and through it all there has been a distinct awakening of the high purpose and a sterner determination to realize to its complete fullness the opportunity that exists for our people.

A sentiment beautiful and exalted has joined with a natural attitude of reverence and gratefulness in setting aside one day in the year for an expression of the universal sentiment that exists in the hearts of all of us. It is fitting that we of Minnesota should especially recognize the fact that we have been kindly dealt with, that we should review the blessings of material prosperity, that we should more fully recognize the successful efforts that are being made to solve the moral and social problems that confront us, and that we should show our hearts ext in glad and prayerful thanksgiving.

Therefore, in recognition of the conditions that exist, and in conformity with the proclamation of the President of the United States, I join with him in designating

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