

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for "Pan American Day"

WHEREAS, April 14, 1955, marks the anniversary of the day in 1890, on which the republics in the Western Hemisphere united in the interest of peace and cooperation to form an association which has now become the Organization of American States; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of good will and international cooperation which has developed an increasing degree of security and progress in the Americas is more vitally important today than ever before, not only in the Western Hemisphere but in the entire world; and

WHEREAS, as Americans we cannot only be proud of the spirit which has developed this successful international association, but we can also work to enlarge and extend this spirit that it may develop further hope for international good will and peace, and to that end we can recognize, understand, and pay tribute to the forces that contribute to such cooperation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, April 14, 1955, as

"PAN AMERICAN DAY"

and urge that all citizens give especial attention to the achievements represented by the Organization of American States and to an appreciation of the contribution which such international cooperation can mean to the cause of peace of the world.

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 eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five and of the state, the ninety-seventh.

ATTEST:

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

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