

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for Veterans Day

WHEREAS, it has long been a national custom to commemorate November 11, the anniversary of the ending of World War I, by paying tribute to the heroes of that tragic struggle and by rededicating ourselves to the causes of peace; and

WHEREAS, in the intervening years the United States has been involved in two other great military conflicts, which have added millions of veterans, living and dead, to the honor rolls of this nation; and

WHEREAS, the Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926 (44 Stat. 1982) calling for the observance of November 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an Act approved May 13, 1938 (52 Stat. 361), that the eleventh of November should be a legal holiday and should be known as Armistice Day; and

WHEREAS, in order to expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this nation, the Congress, by an Act approved June 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 168), changed the name of the holiday to Veterans Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 11, 1955 as


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and call upon all citizens to solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom, and let us reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain.

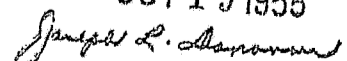
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five and of the State, the ninety-eighth.

ATTEST:


GOVERNOR


Secretary of State

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