

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for "Constitution Week"

WHEREAS, on September 17, 1787, our forefathers, in Constitutional Convention assembled, adopted the Constitution of the United States and thus insured for coming generations the fundamental body of governmental principles which has guided and protected us through the ensuing years; and

WHEREAS, the truths embodied in that document are as alive and real for us now, one hundred and sixty-nine years later, as they were on the date of the founding; and

WHEREAS, in this uncertain and troublous era, it is essential that we support this precious heritage which has perpetuated our political and religious liberties for so many years; and

WHEREAS, to this end, it is necessary that our citizens understand the provisions and principles embodied in our Constitution and the national observance of Constitution Week serves to point up its importance in the lives of each of our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor for the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23, 1956 as

"CONSTITUTION WEEK"

and urge all our citizens to pay special attention during the week to our Federal Constitution and the advantages of American citizenship, honoring United States flags and especially emphasizing the purposes of good government as set forth in the Constitution's preamble and the duty of all persons in our republic to protect our Constitution and the freedoms in its Bill of Rights, so that it may continue to protect us and our posterity in this "Nation under God."

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

ATTEST:

Joseph L. Anderson
SECRETARY OF STATE

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

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