

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for "Thanksgiving Day"

WHEREAS, the observance of Thanksgiving Day is one of the noblest of the many fine traditions which the people of the United States owe to the leaders who laid the foundation for our republic; and

WHEREAS, every citizen of Minnesota and of the United States of America has reason to be thankful for those great blessings of freedom and abundance with which God has endowed our people and our country; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we, as a people enjoying such gifts, should not only pause for at least one day's special thanks to our Creator for the material and spiritual values which are ours, but that we should also seek to be worthy of those blessings by efforts to extend them to others not so favored; and

WHEREAS, in this latter connection, Minnesota citizens should at this time of year especially, remember and cooperate with the Thanksgiving programs being carried out by the three faiths - The Catholic Bishops Thanksgiving Clothing Collection, The Protestant "Share Our Surplus" Appeal, and the United Jewish Appeal Special Survival Fund - so that we may bring a part of our special blessings to those unfortunate victims of war, famine and disaster the world over;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the day of November 22, 1956 as

THANKSGIVING DAY

and urge all men, women and children to give special thanks to God on that day in accord with their own particular religious principles and faith.

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 fifth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six and of the state, the ninety-ninth.

ATTEST:


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J. M. L. Secretary of State