

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A PROCLAMATION FOR "KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DAY" 1957

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus, an order founded March 29, 1882 as a fraternal benefit association for Catholic Men by Reverend Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, since time of organization, the Order has grown and prospered, and that its membership at the present time exceeds one million, forty thousand of whom are enrolled in the one hundred and seven councils in the State of Minnesota, first of which was established in St. Paul, Minnesota on February 22, 1899; and

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus have, during their seventy-five years of existence, given generously of their resources to those suffering from the effects of wars and disasters and have been instrumental in promulgating the cause of a just peace, commensurate with Christian thinking and true patriotism, a principle to which the Order has always adhered, and in numerous ways in which the Knights of Columbus have been associated in the service of God and country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the day of March 29, 1957, as

Knights of Columbus Day

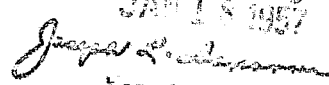
marking the Diamond Jubilee of the Knights of Columbus and a day on which the Order may reminisce with pride for distinguished accomplishments, and one on which I extend best wishes for continued success and further achievement.

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 eighteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven and of the state, the ninety-ninth.

ATTEST:


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE

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