

A Proclamation for Israel Independence Week

WHEREAS, the State of Israel on May 6, 1957 will celebrate the ninth anniversary of its independence, which it won in May, 1948 through the heroism of its citizens and the will of the world community of nations; and

WHEREAS, it has established a free commonwealth in the Middle East, dedicated to those ideals and values which are the cornerstones of our own democracy, and continues to provide a haven for hundreds of thousands of homeless refugees; and

WHEREAS, it has brought water to the thirsty places of the land and opened up fresh vistas of hope and prosperity for the entire Middle East; and

WHEREAS, it is a bulwark of democracy for the free world against aggression by aggressive Soviet Communism; and

WHEREAS, preceding American administrations, irrespective of party, and with the sympathy and support of the American people, have aided the establishment and maintenance of this Jewish state, based on Jewish claims to our two peoples;

LET, therefore, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 1 to May 7, 1957, as

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in honor of the ninth anniversary of Israel's birth and ask all our citizens to join in its celebrations in harmony and brotherhood.

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

ATTEST:

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE

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