

A Proclamation for the Golden Anniversary of the U. S. Air Force

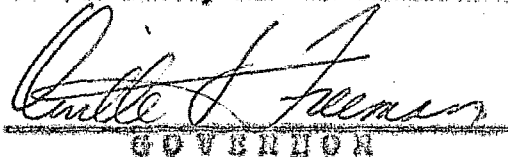
- WHEREAS, on August 1, 1907 there was established in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer of the Army an Aeronautical Division, the forerunner of today's Air Force; and
- WHEREAS, since that inaugurious beginning, the Air Force has developed and grown until it is now the guardian of our defenses through air power and a pioneer in research for greater and more efficient uses of our power in the air; and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota's sons and daughters have distinguished themselves through service in the Air Force and have won honors in World War I and World War II as well as officers of high position and leadership; and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota is fortunate in having two Air Defense groups - at Duluth and in Minneapolis - to secure this state from unexpected enemy attack and to train Minnesotans in the art of air defenses; and
- WHEREAS, the Air Force Association is sponsoring an Anniversary Celebration, designed to bring to the attention of all our citizens the contributions being made in peace and war by the United States Air Force;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of August 1 - 6, 1957 as

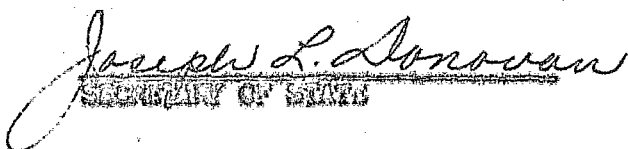
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and urge all Minnesotans to participate in the programs designed to honor the members of the Air Force and their chestnut outstanding record.

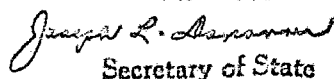
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota this twenty-sixth day of July this year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven and of the state, the one hundredth.

ATTEST:


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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