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STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL DEFENSE 555 Wabasha Street St. Paul 2, Minnesota

FOR INMEDIATE RELEASE

Governor Orville L. Freeman today issued the following proclamation in behalf of National Civil Defense Week,

September 15 through 21, 1957:

WHEREAS, the maintenance of personal and national survival in the event of enemy attack are of paramount interest to the citizens of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, the existence of a strong and efficient Civil Defense is recognized as a means of attaining these goals, and

WHEREAS, the strength of the Nation's Civil Defense depends upon the state of individual and community disaster preparedness throughout the Nation, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 15 through 21 as National Civil Defense week in Minnesota as a means of developing an awareness of the need for general participation in Civil Defense and urge the residents of Minnesota to participate in the observance of this week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have herounto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this eleventh day of September, 1957.

> /s/ Orville L. Freeman Governor

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