

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for Thanksgiving Day in Minnesota - 1957

WHEREAS, it is fitting in this age of startling scientific revolutions about the world in which we live and of international tension in an uneasy peace, that we Americans humbly observe the tradition of Thanksgiving Day, inaugurated by our Founding Fathers so many years ago; and

WHEREAS, in our great State of Minnesota and throughout our free nation, we are privileged to live in a democracy rich with material blessings but, more important, rich in the tradition of freedom and individual liberty coupled with civic cooperation and social unity; and

WHEREAS, while, on this day of thanks, we should earnestly thank God for the blessings we have received, we must also turn our hearts and minds to those of our fellow human beings in countries throughout the world who have not been so blessed and remember them, not only with our prayers which are, of course, essential, but with a share of the material riches which make our lives here more pleasant; and

WHEREAS, America's greatest voluntary relief work for the hungry and needy overseas is conducted through the cooperation of and under the auspices of the religious faith agencies, i.e., the Protestant "Share-Our-Surplus" Appeal, the Catholic "Bishops' Thanksgiving Clothing Collection" and the "United Jewish Appeal Emergency Food Fund" which are again urging our citizens on this Thanksgiving Day to give generously of the abundance they have;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 28, 1957 as

THANKSGIVING DAY

and urge all Minnesotans of all ages to give special thanks to God that day by earnest prayer for a just and lasting peace throughout the world and to give added meaning to that thanks by generous gifts to the relief agencies of their 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 twenty-second day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven and of the state, the one hundredth.

ATTEST:

Joseph L. Anderson
SECRETARY OF STATE

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

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