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STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Joseph L. Donovan
Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION FOR MINNESOTA INTERNATIONAL FARM YOUTH EXCHANGE

WHEREAS, as we in Minnesota look back over the past one hundred years since our statehood, we can be justly proud of our progress and highly grateful for its many blessings; and

WHEREAS, such among our blessings is our state's greatest resource, a dedicated youth; many of these young people, by participation in the International Farm Youth Exchange, have made great strides in eliminating the germs of hatred and envy, of selfish intolerance and all things that lead to the conflicts that underlie wars; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota has in the past ten years participated in this program through its wisely selected rural young men and women and 290 families in our state have been hosts to 52 exchangees from 26 foreign countries and an estimated 150,000 people have been reached through over 2,000 talks by returning IFYE since the program began;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carlisle L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, in recognition of the International Farm Youth Exchange and in honor of those who in our state have dedicated themselves to its goals, do hereby proclaim August 14, 1958, as

MINNESOTA IFYE DAY

and urge all citizens to observe this day in appropriate recognition of the fact that the achievement of world peace is a universal responsibility which must begin with each person and his relationship with every other human being.

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 twelfth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight and of the state, the one hundred thirtieth.

ATTEST:

Carlisle L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE