

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A PROCLAMATION FOR SIGHT SAVING MONTH, 1968

WHEREAS, the gift of sight is one of mankind's greatest treasures; and

WHEREAS, human sight is constantly threatened by disease, injury and neglect; and

WHEREAS, each of us has the responsibility of protecting his own eyesight and that of his family; and

WHEREAS, the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness has set aside the month of September as "Sight Saving Month"; and

WHEREAS, Helen Keller, an honorary vice president of the National Society, has sought through her influence and prestige to bring wider understanding to all people of the importance of sight conservation in all its phases; and

WHEREAS, the opening of the National Society's 1968 campaign to inform the public on matters of blindness prevention has been designated "Helen Keller Day";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 1968 as

SIGHT-SAVING MONTH

and call upon all our citizens to join with the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness in its observance. I earnestly recommend that each of us, during the month of September, take steps to become acquainted with the personal facts of proper eye health and safety and lend our fullest support to the efforts of research scientists who seek constantly to unravel the mysteries of the diseases which cause blindness.

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-first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight and of the state, the one hundred first.

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

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