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*Joseph L. Johnson*  
Secretary of State

A PROCLAMATION FOR  
"GREAT LAKES-ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY YEAR"

WHEREAS, completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway this year, providing a deep-draft waterway from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean, is a long-sought objective and will give new impetus to the further growth of commerce, industry and agriculture in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the ports of the Great Lakes are handling an increasing volume of domestic and foreign commerce which contribute significantly to the prosperity and economic well-being of millions of Americans within and outside the Great Lakes region;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, acting jointly with the Governors in the other Great Lakes states, do hereby proclaim 1959 as

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in Minnesota and do recommend to my fellow citizens appropriate observances during the year recognizing the importance of the completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway and of the activities and services of the Great Lakes ports on behalf of the Great Lakes region and the wider area which they serve.

I, 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 eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine and of the state the one hundred first.

ATTEST:

*Orville L. Freeman*  
GOVERNOR

*Joseph L. Johnson*  
SECRETARY OF STATE