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A PROCLAMATION FOR "FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IN MINNESOTA"

WHEREAS, fires in Minnesota last year took the lives of sixty-four, thirteen of whom were children, injured 127, of whom 14 were children, and resulted in property losses amounting to more than sixteen million, seven-hundred thousand dollars; and

WHEREAS, as many as ninety percent of fires are caused by carelessness and, therefore, could have been prevented; and

WHEREAS, the National observance of Fire Prevention Week is intended to stimulate greater effort to prevent such needless loss and suffering caused by fire;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 6th through October 10, 1959 as

"FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IN MINNESOTA"

and urge all local authorities, civic organizations, schools, churches and all other interested groups and individuals to give special attention to the prevention of fires and the elimination of conditions which constitute fire hazards.

I further urge every individual to recognize that he has an important role in eliminating fire hazards in the home, and a responsibility to share in preventing the carelessness which causes most of our fire losses.

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 fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine and of the state, the one hundred fifteenth.

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE

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