

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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Jesse L. Johnson
Secretary of State

A PROCLAMATION FOR DORCHESTER DAY

WHEREAS, Wednesday, February 3, 1960 will mark the seven-teenth anniversary of the sinking of the troopship Dorchester, which carried to their deaths four chaplains of three faiths who stood united in prayer as the ship went down; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting at a time when the freedom of the world is imperiled that the state of Minnesota should give special recognition to the memory of those who sacrificed their lives for the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, the heroic deed of the four chaplains and their combined act of supreme devotion and sacrifice for American liberty and human freedom will be an inspiration and ever-shining example of real brotherhood for all time to the people of the world; and

WHEREAS, we must all see to it that their supreme sacrifice and that of their brave comrades to the common cause of human freedom and justice for all shall not have been made in vain;

BE IT THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby designate February 3, 1960 to be observed as

"DORCHESTER DAY"

and call upon all our citizens to commemorate the day through appropriate patriotic observance in public places and by prayers in their homes and houses of worship.

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 sixth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty and of the state the one hundred second.

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Jesse L. Johnson
SECRETARY OF STATE

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