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PROCLAMATION

"VETERANS' DAY"

WHEREAS, it has long been a national custom to commemorate November 11, the anniversary of the ending of World War I, by paying tribute to the heroes of that tragic struggle and by rededicating ourselves to the cause of peace; and,

WHEREAS, in the intervening years the United States has been involved in two other great military conflicts, which have added millions of veterans living and dead to the honor rolls of this nation; and,

WHEREAS, the Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926 calling for the observance of November 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an Act approved May 13, 1938 that the eleventh of November should be a legal holiday known as Armistice Day; and,

WHEREAS, in order to expand the significance of that commemoration and in order that a grateful nation might pay appropriate homage to the veterans of all its wars who have contributed so much to the preservation of this nation, the Congress, by an Act approved June 1, 1954 changed the name of the holiday to Veterans' Day;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 11, 1960 as

"VETERANS' DAY"

in Minnesota and urge all Minnesotans to observe this day by remembering the sacrifices of all those who fought to preserve freedom and by re-dedicating ourselves to promoting an enduring peace among all men.

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 thirty-first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred sixty.

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Joseph L. Donners
SECRETARY OF STATE