

A PROCLAMATION FOR "MINNESOTA CONSERVATION WEEK"  
AND  
"ARBOR DAY"

WHEREAS, conservation of the natural resources has been an important and necessary basis of the American way of life in Minnesota since Arbor Day was first proclaimed in 1876; and

WHEREAS, the wealth of materials from the soil, water, forest, and mines have enabled our people to build a State with a sound standard of living; and

WHEREAS, the products from the natural resources always have been vital in years of prosperity and depression, and in times of peace and war, and, therefore, are the only solid foundation on which to build a secure future; and

WHEREAS, it is highly important that we of this generation who are custodians of those natural resources and the substance they produce do all we can to preserve them through widespread application of conservation practices and continuing vigilance against the forces of misuse, destruction, and waste;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Andersen, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby proclaim the week of April 30-May 6 as

"MINNESOTA CONSERVATION WEEK"

and Friday, May 5, as

"ARBOR DAY"

and most earnestly urge all citizens as individuals and as members of private agencies and organizations to take an active part and interest in the promotion of conservation activities and to plant the forests and woodlands of the future on this Arbor Day.

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 third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-one and of the state, the one hundred and thirty-first.

*Elmer L. Andersen*  
GOVERNOR

*Joseph L. Donovan*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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