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A PROCLAMATION FOR "MINNESOTA ROSE WEEK"

WHEREAS, in June of 1962 for the first time the City of Minneapolis will be privileged to host the National Convention of the American Rose Society, a society which has been in existence for 63 years; and

WHEREAS, among American gardeners the rose is the most popular flower and one out of three of our citizens grow roses; and

WHEREAS, the rose, recognized as a symbol of peace, a badge of courage, loyalty and devotion, has become the world's best loved floral emblem; and

WHEREAS, this flower has enriched our language with many favorite expressions and has been used as a theme in fiction, poetry and song; and

WHEREAS, the rose has provided our citizens with many hours of pleasure and relaxation, especially beneficial to our senior citizens in retirement;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Andersen, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of June 17 through 23, 1962 as

"MINNESOTA ROSE WEEK"

and urge all citizens to recognize the place of honor and affection which the rose holds in our way of life.

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 eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two and of the State the one hundred fourth.

*Elmer L. Andersen*

*Joseph L. Donovan*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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