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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our cherished freedoms are largely dependent upon the capabilities of our Armed Forces as a deterrent to those who would destroy these freedoms; and

WHEREAS, the constant training and vigilance of the members of our Armed Forces is such that our nation stands in readiness to protect the rights of freedom-loving people throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Armed Forces in the State of Minnesota, including the Regular Army, the Air Force, the Navy, the Marines and the Coast Guard, the Minnesota National Guard and the Reserve components of each regular service, are performing a vital role in maintaining the security and well-being of the citizens of our state and the nation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that we set aside one day each year to pay special tribute to those whose courage and devotion to duty constitute our "Power For Peace",

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Andersen, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May 20, 1962 as

"ARMED FORCES DAY"

in Minnesota and call upon all of our citizens to show their recognition of the gallantry, sacrifice, and devotion to duty of the men and women of the Armed Forces by prominently displaying the flag of the United States during the week of May 13-20, and by participating in the observances of the 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 fourth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two and of the State, the one hundred fourth.

*Elmer L. Andersen*  
GOVERNOR

*Joseph L. Donovan*  
SECRETARY OF STATE