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A PROCLAMATION FOR "PRINCE HALL AMERICANISM DAY"

WHEREAS, Prince Hall was the founder and first Grand Master of Freemasonry for Negroes in America; and,

WHEREAS, The Prince Hall Masons, after a continuous existence of nearly two centuries, now number over a half million in more than 5,500 lodges throughout the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the Most Venerable Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Minnesota, F. & A. M. has a long and notable history in the promulgation of good will and charity among our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Prince Hall Masons everywhere, have pledged to carry this good will, not only in the State of Minnesota, but throughout the United States, by working toward the goal of the equality of men.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the day of September 12, 1962 as

"PRINCE HALL AMERICANISM DAY"

as a reminder that all men are created equal in the sight of their creator. Every man is created with certain rights which can not be taken from him in the pursuit of life, liberty, and the happiness of mankind.

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 first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two and of the State the one hundred fifth.

Elmer L. Anderson
GOVERNOR

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