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A PROCLAMATION FOR "THOMAS GARRIGUE MASARYK DAY"

WHEREAS, Minnesotans should be keenly aware of the great contributions of men fighting for the ideals of democratic principles--champions of liberty; and,

WHEREAS, Thomas Garrigue Masaryk represents a life-time effort of proclaiming a democratic form of government in one of the darkest hours of the twentieth century in his founding of the original Czechoslovakian Republic later to be destroyed by the communist menace; and,

WHEREAS, Thomas Garrigue Masaryk fought for the blessings of liberty which are so dearly loved by all men in this country in observing that a democracy is the endeavor to combat arbitrary will and violence; and,

WHEREAS, the people of Minnesota have been enriched by the example of Thomas Garrigue Masaryk symbolizing to all that the happiness of mankind can only be found in the blessings of liberty;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Andersen, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the day of September 14, 1962 as

"THOMAS GARRIGUE MASARYK DAY"

as a reminder to all of the citizens of the State of Minnesota that champions of liberty have fought for the freedoms which we enjoy in this country in establishment of the democratic principles of government--a government by which the individual can pursue his endeavors freely. Natural law dictates the consciousness of all mankind--the common brotherhood of men working together for new achievement, new goals, and new understandings which can only lead to the greater steadfastness of freedom-loving people.

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 tenth 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. Andersen
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Larson
SECRETARY OF STATE