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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the first State Grange in the nation was organized in Minnesota on February 24, 1869, and

WHEREAS, the Grange has, during 96 years of progress, contributed to the upbuilding of agriculture and has made marked contributions to the farm family, and

WHEREAS, the homestead of Oliver Hudson Kelley, the founder of the National Grange was converted into a state shrine at Elk River, Minnesota in 1962, and

WHEREAS, the spirit of the Grange movement will always permeate every activity to bolster agriculture and to win even greater recognition for the people who work the land,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Andersen, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of June 2 through June 8 as

"GRANGE WEEK"

in Minnesota, and urge all our people to give fitting recognition and tribute to this distinguished organization which was founded to improve conditions in agriculture and to provide recognition for the farm family.

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 fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three and of the State, the one hundred difth.

Colmer L. Cendersen

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SECRETARY OF STATE