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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, veterans, their family members and dependent survivors comprise nearly half of the Nation's population; and  
WHEREAS, nearly 1,000,000 men and women have died in service so that we might enjoy the great heritage of freedom and liberty which is ours; and  
WHEREAS, the people of this nation are grateful to the veterans of the Armed Forces who have performed their duties of citizenship and served courageously in times of peril; and  
WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, by Act approved June 1, 1954, Public Law 380, 83rd Congress, 68 Stat. 163, expanded the significance of November 11, previously declared a legal holiday and observed as Armistice Day, and designated it as Veterans Day in honor of veterans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karl F. Polvay, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 11, 1963, as

"VETERANS DAY"

In Minnesota and urge all citizens to observe this day in appropriate ceremonies expressive of our people's desire for peace and their gratitude to our veterans who have served and sacrificed to attain it. I also call upon local officials to encourage citizen groups and agencies of the press, radio and television, to engage in appropriate activities including the display of the United States and State flags in all public buildings in tribute to those who, in disregard of their own personal safety, have contributed so much toward the realization of our national goals and the preservation of liberty.

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 fifteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three, and of the State the one hundred sixth.

*Karl F. Polvay*  
GOVERNOR

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