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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Joseph L. Johnson
Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, It is the established policy of the United States of America to support the peoples of the Latin nations in the western hemisphere in their efforts to share in the benefits of democracy and an expanding world economy, and

WHEREAS, The policy of aiding our Latin American neighbors has been delineated and given great impetus through the efforts of our late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, who developed the Alliance For Progress for Latin America, and

WHEREAS, President Kennedy recognized that a strong United States depends on a South America comprised of economically sound, progressive nations dedicated to the welfare of all of their people, and President Johnson has vowed to improve and strengthen the role of our country in assisting our neighbors to the South, and

WHEREAS, President Johnson has said that the accomplishments of the Alliance For Progress in the years to come will vindicate our faith in the capacity of free men to meet the new challenges of our times and has suggested that the Alliance be made a living memorial to the late John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Theodore Roscoe, American Ambassador to the Alliance, will be in Minnesota on this day and report to the Nation on the current programs and future prospects of this extremely important program,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karl F. Polvag, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, December 6, 1963, as

"ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS DAY"

In Minnesota and I urge all citizens to take note of the importance of United States participation in developing an economically sound and democratic South America as an added bulwark of freedom in the Western Hemisphere.

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 December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three and of the State the one hundred sixth.

Joseph L. Johnson *Karl F. Polvag*
SECRETARY OF STATE GOVERNOR