STATE OF MINNESOTA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, Many of our citizens and voters are absent from the State through patriotic devotion to their country and should not be disfranchised because of such absence, and by reason of their loyalty to the State and Nation that they are so faithfully serving, are entitled to an expression of the State's appreciation thereof; and,

WHEREAS, Representatives of the people in the State Legislature have by a large majority, regardless of party lines, expressed themselves in favor of a special session to enact a law permitting members of the National Guard now on the Mexican border to vote at the next election; and,

WHEREAS, The Attorney General of the State has just held that a law for such purpose can be so framed as to be constitutional, and as the cost of such a session will only be the enactment of the law the mileage allowed the members of the legislature and should not require more than a day's session;

State of Minnesota, realizing that our State should not be less appreciative of the rights of her guardsmen than other states, which have called special sessions for the purpose of enacting such a measure, do hereby issue this proclamation, summoning the members of our legislature to convene for the purpose of enacting such an absent voters' law as our Constitution permits, and for no other purpose, at the State Capital, in St. Paul, on Saturday, the 28th day of October, 1916, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of said day.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereto affixed this 26th day of October, 1916.

J. A.A. Burngen.

Attest:

Secretary of State.

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