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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since the earliest development of civilization poetry has been cherished as the highest form of eloquence, and

WHEREAS, an intellectual and cultural treasure-house has been given to the world by literary masters who chose poetic form as the medium of their expression, and

WHEREAS, a free society must combat threat of materialism and excesses by encouraging profound re-statement of man's relationship to his God and to his neighbor, by fostering expression of lofty concepts and profound observations, and

WHEREAS, Minnesota has long been identified with enduring poetry--has long inspired local poets and visionaries to reflect the state's beauty in great words,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karl F. Rolvaag, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 15 - 21, 1964, as

"POETRY WEEK IN MINNESOTA"

and urge all our people to reacquaint themselves with the great classic poets as well as to discover the fine modern works of art which are being written by poets of Minnesota and the Nation who are gifted as articulators of our basic aspirations.

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 twenty-eighth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred sixty-four and of the State, the one hundred seventh.

Karl F. Rolvaag
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE

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