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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Minnesota is richly blessed with a wealth of water resources -- more than 15,000 lakes, 25,000 miles of streams and waterways, abundant rainfall, and

WHEREAS, the demands of a Modern World have precipitated a national and international water crisis, and

WHEREAS, too often, we in Minnesota have been guilty of unwise use of our water resources; polluting our waters; improper water management; water waste, and

WHEREAS, too long we have taken our natural resources for granted; failed to recognize that conservation of our waters is basic to our standard of living and the American way of life, and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that a sound program be initiated to integrate the interests of all resource agencies to assure this and future generations water in sufficient quantity and quality for all needs,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karl F. Polvaco, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the year 1966 as

"MINNESOTA WATER CONSERVATION YEAR"

and direct all agencies of state government to give priority consideration to sound water conservation in all of their activities affecting water and to assist in all water conservation projects initiated during 1966 to preserve for Minnesota our heritage of pure water, and urge all citizens, youth and adult groups, agencies and organizations, business and industry, and counties and municipalities to join hands, individually and collectively, to underwrite the welfare of present and future generations in water resources unlimited.

I, 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-seventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five and of the State, the one hundred eighth.

*Karl F. Polvaco*  
*Governor*  
*Joseph L. Johnson*  
*SECRETARY OF STATE*