

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, American Negroes have made outstanding but little known contributions to the history of the United States, and

WHEREAS, an appreciation of this heritage and contribution is essential to the development of a sense of worth and pride in any group, and

WHEREAS, an understanding of the contribution of other groups is essential to the development of better inter-group relations on the part of all American youth and adults, and

WHEREAS, Negro History Week has been observed in most American communities since 1926 during the period which includes the birthdays of those two great champions of freedom, Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 12-18, 1967, as

"NEGRO HISTORY WEEK"

in Minnesota.

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 sixth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven, and of the State, the one hundred ninth.

Harold LeVander

Joseph L. Johnson
SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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Secretary of State

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