

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, at two o'clock in the afternoon of the Fourth of July 1776, liberty was proclaimed throughout the land by the tolling of the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall in Philadelphia, and
- WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence, whose adoption was so solemnly acknowledged at that hour, gave the American Republic its historic birthright of freedom, and
- WHEREAS, our national survival in the Cold War depends on the will and willingness of all our people to participate in our hard-won freedoms, and by the participation demonstrate their value as enduring institutions in this free society, and
- WHEREAS, a fitting symbol of our attachment to these institutions is a bell, tolling out a warning that freedoms must be utilized and defended in order to underscore the difference between ourselves and other peoples not as fortunate as we,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold Levander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, July 4, 1967, as

"BELLS OF AMERICA RINGING FOR FREEDOM DAY"

in Minnesota, and urge all our citizens to participate in this symbolic observance, whenever possible, by tolling bells and ringing carillons and chimes and the playing of our National Anthem on radio and television at exactly 1:00 PM, Central Daylight Time, for a period of four minutes, with such observances a fitting tribute to the love of freedoms that rang in the hearts of the pioneers and which must continue to echo in our own.

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-seventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven, and of the State, the one hundred tenth.

Harold Levander
GOVERNOR STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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