

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Cooperatives are a Minnesota asset -- because cooperative businesses, along with corporations, partnerships, and proprietorships, form the very foundation of our free enterprise system, and
- WHEREAS, cooperatives are a Minnesota asset -- because our state enjoys national prominence by leading the nation in number of cooperatives and number of people served by cooperatives, and
- WHEREAS, cooperatives are a Minnesota asset -- because these cooperative businesses have contributed substantially to Minnesota's great agricultural progress and general economic development, and
- WHEREAS, cooperatives are a Minnesota asset -- because they serve farmers and consumers alike, for the processing and marketing of agricultural products and for the purchase of goods and services by consumers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1967, as

"CO-OP MONTH"

and urge all Minnesotans to recognize the economic and democratic values of cooperatives which help individuals share the rewards of our free enterprise system, and to recognize the many achievements which make cooperatives a Minnesota asset.

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

*Harold LeVander*  
GOVERNOR

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