

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, April 14, 1968, will mark the seventy-eighth anniversary of the inter-American system freely established by the American Republics and known as the Organization of American States, and

WHEREAS, the United States and the other American Republics have been neighbors for almost two hundred years, and are equal partners and sovereign states within the inter-American system, and

WHEREAS, the people of the United States consider themselves partners of the peoples of Latin America, sharing with them not only a common continent but a mutual and abiding aspiration for the achievement of a good and full life for every citizen of the Americas, and are embarked, through the Alliance for Progress, in a relentless pursuit of a better life and a quest for the social justice and human rights to which all the peoples of the Hemisphere are entitled,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 14, 1968, as

"PAN AMERICAN DAY"

in Minnesota, and urge all Minnesotans to rededicate themselves during this period to the ideals of the inter-American system as embodied in the Charter of the Organization of American States, and to the goals of economic and social progress of the Charter of Punta del Este which are so firmly based on our common belief in the dignity of men and on our faith in freedom.

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-third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, and of the State, the one hundred tenth.

Harold LeVander
GOVERNOR

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