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PROCLAMATION

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. dedicated his life to the quest for brotherhood among all men. He was a twentieth century disciple of peace.

He embodied an American dream for the light of equality at a time when clouds of darkness shadow our horizon.

He advocated aggressive but non-violent action. He never lost faith that his cause would triumph.

And as we mourn his tragic passing, he would want us to keep faith with his cause and his philosophy. America must carry forward his struggle for equality.

I now ask all Minnesotans to set aside this Sunday ... Palm Sunday ... as a day of re-dedication to this monumental task. It is especially fitting that at the beginning of Holy Week and the Passover -- a time in which we renew our dedication to serving God's will and a time in which we are reminded that Christ died for all men -- that we also commemorate Dr. King's vigil for brotherhood.

Christ died on a cross in Jerusalem to make man holy. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. has died in Memphis seeking to make man free.

~~Now, therefore,~~ I, Harold Levander, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 7th, as a day of mourning and prayer for the death of Martin Luther King, Jr. and ask all churches and synagogues to offer special prayers urging all citizens to renew their efforts to bring about true equality among men.

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 fifth day of April 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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