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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, increasing populations and the subsequent desire for open air relaxation have put mounting pressures on natural resources, the nation is confronted with the necessity of a new hard look and reassessment of the need for a comprehensive program of conservation in natural resources and of community and rural beautification, and
- WHEREAS, the deterioration of our central core cities is of concern to each of us, and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota, richly blessed with over 13,000 lakes and 25,000 miles of streams and waterways, is reminded that these resources can be polluted and devastated, and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota, the pride of the Hunter and Fisherman through the years, has turned to intensive programs of wet land acquisition, wildlife management and lake and stream improvement, and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota, a Natural Outdoor Recreational Playground, has embarked on an ambitious program of state park acquisitions and development, and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota, on statehood, was crowded with seemingly limitless forests of White Pine, Norway Pine, and Hardwood,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold Levander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 20 to April 27, 1968, as

"CONSERVATION AND CLEANUP WEEK"

and Friday, April 26, 1968, as

"ARBOR DAY"

in Minnesota, and earnestly request all citizens, students and staff members of our public and private schools and the members of all organizations throughout Minnesota to join and participate in traditional programs to plant trees, foster cleanup and paint-up of our communities and the conservation of our resources.

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.

James L. Anderson
SECRETARY OF STATE

Harold Levander
GOVERNOR