STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILED OCT 28 1968 Secretary of State

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, over 26 million living veterans who served our country in time of need, their family members and dependent survivors comprise nearly half this Nation's population; and

WHEREAS, nearly one million men and women died in service so that we may enjoy the great heritage of freedom and liberty which is ours; and

- WHEREAS, our citizen servicemen are again answering the call of service in defense of our country and its ideals; and
- WHEREAS, The United States Congress established Armistice Day to commemorate the end of World War I and by Act June 1, 1954 redesignated this legal holiday observed annually on November 11 as Veterans Day in honor of all living veterans; and
- WHEREAS, Veterans Day, 1968, is the Golden Anniversary of the end of the first great World conflict United States citizen soldiers engaged in; and
- WHEREAS, it is proper that we pause in our activities to pay due tribute to all living veterans and those citizens presently serving in defense of our country and its ideals

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, November 11, 1968, as the Golden Anniversary of

## VETERANS DAY

in Minnesota and urge all citizens to observe this day in appropriate ceremonies, reiterating our desire for peace and our gratitude to those who have served and those now serving in the armed forces of our country. I also call upon all officials to display the United States and the Minnesota state flag on this significant anniversary.

> 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-fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty=eight, and of the State, the one hundred eleventh.

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