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Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION

- A large number of people commit criminal acts. One boy in six is referred to a juvenile court. About 2,000,000 Americans will be received in prisons or juvenile training schools or placed on probation in 1969.
- There is an ever-widening breach of criminal conduct. A tough teenager snatches a lady's purse; Cosa Nostra controls and intimidates private business; a government official misappropriates public money; aggravated assault, burglary, and rape take their toll; a quiet police man murders a member of his family.
- Crime costs the American people many billions of dollars each year, but the unseen and innumerable costs are much greater. And there is always the suffering, the fear and sorrow, the violation of human personalities.

The police, the courts, and the correctional agencies, even when given massive help, will not be able to control crime.

Crime, in the nation, and in Minnesota, will not be controlled until we get interested and active people from schools, businesses, social agencies, private groups, families, and individual citizens--interest and action of a scope and intensity never before imagined, to assist.

As Governor of the State of Minnesota, therefore, I set aside the week of February 9 to February 15 as:

"CRIME AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION WEEK"

To control crime is a year around task, but during this special week we can shake apathy, awaken new interest, spread more information, and get on with our response to this major challenge in our free society.

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 nineteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine, and of the State the one hundred eleventh.

Arnold Schuler
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE

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