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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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*Joseph L. Dananen*  
Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

August 7, 1969 marks the 237th anniversary of the founding of the Military Order of the Purple Heart by General George Washington, and

WHEREAS,

the Purple Heart was reinstituted by General McArthur and given to Veterans of World War II for wounds received in action, and has been awarded many times since, and

WHEREAS,

more public awareness and recognition should be accorded the recipients and the occasions for such awards to help instill greater appreciation of such values as patriotism, courage, bravery in a just cause in our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby proclaim August 7, 1969, as

"PURPLE HEART DAY"

in Minnesota, and do urge public recognition and honor for the Order of the Purple Heart and the position of honor it should hold in our nation.

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-ninth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine, and of the State, the one hundred twelfth.

*Harold LeVander*  
GOVERNOR

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