

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, Section 1, Article 1, the Bill of Rights of the Minnesota Constitution, defines the "object of government" as follows: "Government is instituted for the security, benefit and protection of the people, in whom all political power is inherent, together with the right to alter, modify or reform such government, whenever the public good may require it," and
- WHEREAS, the elective franchise granted each citizen under Article VII of the State Constitution provides the instrument for participation in and use of this political power, and
- WHEREAS, recognizing that it is appropriate that government make maximum provision for citizen participation in the political process, the 1969 Minnesota Legislature enacted and I signed into law a measure that establishes the fourth Tuesday in February in every general election year as the uniform date for precinct caucuses of the political parties, and
- WHEREAS, the precinct caucus is the foundation stone of the political system that has made and maintained the greatness of the United States of America, and
- WHEREAS, the first such uniform precinct caucus date under the new law will fall on Tuesday, February 24, 1970, and
- WHEREAS, it is desirable to call attention to this date and to request the cooperation of all civic, social, church, fraternal, professional and other groups in keeping that date open for participation in the precinct caucuses of the political parties by Minnesota citizens,
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold Levander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the date of Tuesday, February 24, 1970, as

"UNIFORM PRECINCT CAUCUS DAY"

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to reserve that date for participation in the precinct caucus of the political party of their respective choice.

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-first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine, and of the State, the one hundred sixteenth.

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE

Harold Levander
GOVERNOR

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