

P R O C E S S I O N A L

FIRST, The People of this nation are grateful to the veterans of the Armed Forces who have faithfully performed their duties of citizenship and served courageously in times of peril; and

SECOND, Our citizens and veterans are again answering the call of duty in defense of our country and its ideals; and

THIRD, More than one million men and women died in service so that we may enjoy the great blessings of freedom and liberty which we have; and

FOURTH, Over 87 million living veterans who served our country in time of need their family members and dependent survivors comprise nearly half of the Nation's population; and

FIFTH, The Congress of the United States, by Act approved June 1, 1954, expressed the significance of November 11, previously declared a legal holiday and observed as Armistice Day, and designated it as Veterans Day in honor of our veterans; and

SIXTH, It is proper that we pause in our activities to pay tribute to all living veterans and those citizens presently serving in defense of our country and its ideals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold Leander, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby proclaim Tuesday, November 11, 1969, as the day observance of that great American day now designated as

"VETERANS DAY"

In Minnesota, and urge all citizens to observe this day in appropriate ceremonies expressive of our people's desire for peace and their gratitude to our veterans who have served and sacrificed to obtain it. I also call upon local officials to encourage citizen groups and agencies of the press, radio and television to engage in appropriate activities including the display of the United States and State flags in all public buildings in tribute to those who have contributed so much toward the preservation of our liberty.

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 16th day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine, and of the State, the one hundred twelfth.

Karel Leander
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Denson
ATTORNEY OF STATE

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