

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

PROCLAMATION.

May thirtieth was set aside more than half a century ago "for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late Rebellion." The custom so inaugurated of thus honoring the heroic dead of the Civil War has been adopted in both North and South and the legislatures of most of the states of the Union have made Memorial Day a legal holiday.

It is well that those who sacrificed and died in the great struggle which lead to this beautiful custom and that those who have since sacrificed and died in other wars should be thus honored and remembered for the noble and valiant services they have rendered to our country and to humanity.

Under the laws of our State, May thirtieth is designated as Memorial Day, but our statutes provide that when Sunday and a holiday fall on the same day the following day shall be deemed a legal holiday.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joseph A.A. Burnquist, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim

M A Y 31, 1920,  
MEMORIAL DAY

and urge that said day be properly observed by our citizens by fittingly decorating the graves of the patriotic dead and by reviving the memory of their immortal deeds in oratory and song at appropriate gatherings to be held for such purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have hereto caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed, at the Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, this 24th., day of May, 1920.

*Joseph A.A. Burnquist*  
Governor.

Attest:

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Secretary of State.

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*Julius A. Schnaahl*  
Secretary of State