

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, agricultural production and processing of food is essential to sustaining life itself; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota ranks among the nation's and the world's leading providers of an infinite variety and abundance of highest quality foods; and

WHEREAS, this established leadership in producing one of the essentials of life has also made Minnesota's food industry its greatest economic resource, producing upwards of \$5 billion annually and providing one-third of all jobs in this state; and

WHEREAS, Agri-people, the producers, processors, wholesalers, retailers and related service industries comprising our food industry will cooperate with our Minnesota Department of Agriculture in a special educational program this October to identify Minnesota food products to all consumers, and

WHEREAS, an increased recognition, purchasing and consumption by Minnesotans of Minnesota food products will stimulate increased nutrition, jobs and economic growth, further enriching our nationally recognized high quality of life; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we recognize the increasingly significant contributions of the Minnesota food industry that has provided the greatest variety, highest quality and abundance of food for the lowest percentage of income for any people, anywhere, at any time in the history of our civilization;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1970, as the first annual

MINNESOTA FOOD POWER MONTH

and urge all citizens to participate in this opportunity to increasingly share in the nutritional and economic rewards made available by our dynamic food industry and its agri-people, not only during this October but as well throughout the year.

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 sixth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy and of the State, the one hundred thirteenth.

Harold LeVander
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Donavan
SECRETARY OF STATE

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