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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: As Commissioner, you've been the best;
A model for our time,
Your work has passed the highest test;
It doesn't cost a dime.

Each Governor should recognize
That nothing could be worse
Than forfeiting a man so wise
Who offers us free verse.

So we should honor you in kind;
The job is yours to keep.
As Governor, I'm pleased to find
A man who works so cheap.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby reject the resignation of Abe Altowitz as Minnesota Commissioner of Poetry (COP) and furthermore, do hereby reappoint Abe Altowitz to aforementioned exalted position.

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-fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

Wendell R. Anderson
GOVERNOR

Arden J. Erdahl
SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Secretary of State

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