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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, by Joint Resolution of Congress and by Presidential Proclamation, the fourteenth annual Law Day USA will be observed on May first; and
- WHEREAS, the theme for the 1971 national observance of Law Day is timely and deserves the thoughtful consideration of every citizen; "Change Through Law and Reason;" and
- WHEREAS, all of us recognize that representative government depends for vitality and strength upon citizen participation in its processes, the broader that participation the more effective and just government will be; and
- WHEREAS, every citizen thus has a responsibility to his country, his state and community, a duty to observe the law, to support the agencies of law enforcement and the courts, as well as to recognize the rights of others and assist in advancing the equality of justice and opportunity for all Americans; and
- WHEREAS, our form of government, which is unique and has protected our nation for over 190 years, requires that the right of dissent and the right to petition for redress of grievances be asserted in a lawful manner; and
- WHEREAS, in a free society, the end to be sought, however worthy, can never justify unlawful means; and
- WHEREAS, it is appropriate, therefore, on this special day that we should reaffirm our faith in the rule of the law and in the supremacy of government by law rather than by men;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 1, 1971

LAW DAY USA

In Minnesota, and call upon all citizens to join in its observance through appropriate ceremonies, programs and educational activities, and through a dedication to the ideals of equality and justice for all. I especially urge the schools, churches, courts, civic and service clubs and the media of public information to participate.

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

Allen J. Erdahl
SECRETARY OF STATE

Wendell R. Anderson
GOVERNOR

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