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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: Minnesota is second in the nation in the quality of life it provides its citizens, and
- WHEREAS: this ranking demonstrates a conscious and effort by the citizens of this state toward improving the total environment, educating and encouraging its youth, and providing for the overall needs of people, and
- WHEREAS: cooperative businesses along with corporations, partnerships, and proprietorships strive to do their share in improving the quality of life for people within the framework of the free enterprise system, and
- WHEREAS: cooperatives serve farmers and consumers alike, for the processing and marketing of agricultural products and for the purchase of goods and services by consumers, and
- WHEREAS: by providing jobs, capital investments, competitive prices, quality control and new products development, and by retaining earnings to local areas, these cooperative businesses contribute substantially to our agricultural progress and general economic and social development.

I, WENDELL R. ANDERSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1971 as

"CO-OP MONTH"

and urge all Minnesotans to recognize the economic and domestic values of cooperatives and the care they have shown in improving the quality of life for all the people of our state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this thirtieth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one and of the state the one hundred fourteenth.

Wendell R. Anderson  
GOVERNOR

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