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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: the first ten amendments to the Constitution of the United States, known as the Bill of Rights, were formally adopted on December 15, 1791, and

WHEREAS: those amendments guarantee freedom of worship, speech, assembly and other basic rights of all Americans, and

WHEREAS: this day also serves to remind us that in 1776, George Mason of Gunston Hall, Virginia, a dedicated and patriotic scholar, drafted the Virginia Declaration of Rights, the document which served as a model for the Bill of Rights,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, December 15, 1971 as

BILL OF RIGHTS DAY

in Minnesota, and urge each citizen to protect and cherish these constitutional rights, without which a free and democratic society could not survive.

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 seventh day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one, and of the State, the one hundred and fourteenth.

Wendell R. Anderson

GOVERNOR

Allen J. Fedahl
SECRETARY OF STATE

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