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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: For many years, Thanksgiving has been a national tradition, providing an opportunity for the more fortunate of us to share a special meal with our loved ones and to express in prayer our thanks for this great nation and for those who have helped so much to make it our nation; and

WHEREAS: For the less fortunate, especially those millions of older Americans who live in isolation, a day of national feasting can seem empty indeed; and

WHEREAS: The cruelest affliction of advancing age is not sickness or weakness, it is being forgotten. Recognizing this problem of loneliness, I call on the citizens of Minnesota to do everything they can to include the forgotten elderly in this year's Thanksgiving festivities.

THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thanksgiving 1971 as a day for remembering not only our own households and families but also those older Americans who, through no fault of their own, are isolated from family and friends.

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 seventeenth day of November 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

*Allen J. Erdahl*  
SECRETARY OF STATE