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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: there is a definite relationship between the economic well-being of the State of Minnesota and that of other nations. The advance of free world trade can also serve as an effective instrument in the stabilization of world peace; and
- WHEREAS: the State's efforts in international trade have increased the earnings and benefits of our industries and the growth and stature of our labor force. We now can and must proceed toward new economic horizons through innovations from both sectors; and
- WHEREAS: exports of our agricultural and industrial products motivate the economic growth of Minnesota. The import of foreign products provides a base for future international investment. Competition for world trade and foreign investments has always been keen. Minnesotans have consistently contributed to this aggressive aspect, but we must now investigate all ways and means to become more competitive in the international appeal of our products to insure Minnesota's economic growth in world trade; and
- WHEREAS: we must continue to advance the competitiveness of our products abroad and seek reduction of barriers to international trade by supporting new ways to facilitate the exchange of goods between countries, thereby creating new jobs for our state and its people and insuring our international economic prosperity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 21, 1972 as

"WORLD TRADE WEEK"

in Minnesota, and urge all business, labor, agricultural, educational and civic groups to participate in the development and promotion of activities which will further international trade and will focus its importance to our State's economy.

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 sixteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy two and of the State, the one hundred Fifteenth.

*Wendell R. Anderson*  
GOVERNOR

*Arden J. Erdahl*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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