

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The Flag is the symbol of all that our United States stands for. It has given heart, hope and strength to Americans ever since this nation was born. It proclaims our freedom, our rights, our responsibilities; and

WHEREAS: The Flag has flown in times of trouble and in times of triumph as the symbols of America's unquenchable ideals. It flies today as a shining badge of American pride in our country's stirring heritage and in our determination to carry the American dream forward; and

WHEREAS: ours is a very special flag, with special significance for all mankind. Known by many titles of respect, "Old Glory," "Stars and Stripes," and "Star Spangled Banner" foremost among these, it is recognized throughout the world as the emblem of the champion of freedom for the weak, the oppressed and the enslaved; and

WHEREAS: more than at any other time in our Nation's history we need to properly demonstrate our respect for the priceless heritage that the Flag represents by giving every concerned American opportunity for renewing the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag and to the Republic for which it stands and for the strengthening of our dedication to "our Nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all;" and

WHEREAS: the President of the United States has proclaimed the week of June 11 - 17, 1972 to be National Flag Week, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby proclaim the week beginning June 11 - 17, 1972 to be

FLAG WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge all my fellow citizens to join in this observance, reaffirming our belief that only as each one of us gives strength to America can America give strength to us. I urge the proper display of the Flag and participation in the special programs sponsored by our veterans, patriotic and civic organizations during this week.

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 twenty-ninth 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

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