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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: we have been endowed by our Creator not only with the blessings and benefits of our animal friends, who provide us clothing, food and pleasure in life, but also with a firm responsibility to protect the such creatures given us as a sacred trust, and to show kindness and mercy to them in all of our affairs, and

WHEREAS: the people in the State of Minnesota are deeply indebted to the animal anti-cruelty control and welfare agencies for the invaluable contribution they make each year in educating our children in humane principles, and in promoting a true working spirit of kindness and consideration for animals in the minds and hearts of all our people, and

WHEREAS: we recognize the timeless value of the teaching of kindness to our young people through humane education, and realize that out of kindness to such creatures grows kindness and love for both Man and God, and

WHEREAS: the first full week of May has been set as the annual celebration of the national week observing the philosophy of kindness to animals,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do proclaim the week of May 7 - 14, 1972 as

BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK

and do heartily commend to all our citizens a full participation in all events related thereto in this State.

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 fifth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two and of the State, the one hundred fiftieth.

*Wendell R. Anderson*  
GOVERNOR

*Arden J. Erdall*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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