

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 51

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Providing for the Establishment of Minnesota's
American Revolution Bicentennial Commission

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Arden J. Erdahl
Secretary of State

I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, the American Revolution was a series of events inspired by a particular spirit, of global significance and with a lasting and profound effect upon our nation and all of the states which now compose the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the purpose of commemorating the epochal period of 1775-1783, that a bicentennial commission be appointed to represent this state; and

WHEREAS, the government of the United States has taken formal action on July 4, 1966, to assure effective national observance of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of this nation through the establishment of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission;

NOW THEREFORE, I order:

1. the formation of the Minnesota American Revolution Bicentennial Commission to plan, encourage, develop and coordinate Minnesota's observances and activities commemorating the historic events and activities associated with the American Revolution;
2. the commission be composed of 30 members, appointed by the Governor, for a four-year term. The co-chairman be named by the Governor;
3. the Minnesota Commission to coordinate its efforts with those of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission and to cooperate with that agency in the development of an effective national observance of the bicentennial;
4. the Minnesota Commission to plan and coordinate an overall program for commemorating the bicentennial on a statewide basis, including voluntary participation by all cities, counties, and regions;

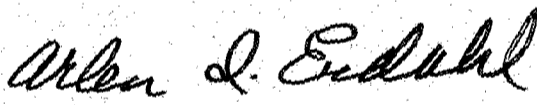
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This order shall supercede Executive Order No. 44 and be effective December 15, 1972.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this eighteenth day of December, 1972.


Wendell R. Anderson

Filed according to Law:


Arlen I. Erdahl
Secretary of State

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