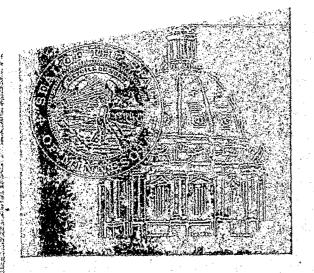
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## Aroclamation

WHEREAS: in our grandfathers' days, American inventiveness was a topic of conversation

and wonder throughout the civilized world; and

WHEREAS: one of the first acts of the Congress of the United States was to establish

the patent system under which American inventors have made outstanding contributions to the world's engineering, manufacturing and scientific

projects; and

WHEREAS: the State of Minnesota wishes to express thanks to its inventor-citizens for their contributions to the economy and welfare of this State and our Nation

and to pay tribute to the United States Patent Incentive System, recalling the words of Abraham Lincoln: "The Patent System added the fuel of interest to

the fire of genius.";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 11, 1974 as

## MINNESOTA INVENTORS 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-eighth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four and of the State the one hundred and fifteenth.

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