



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Vader Van Slyke, because of his warmth, endless fund of information and genuine interest in people, will always wear the mantle of being state government's best known tour guide; and
- WHEREAS: Van conducted tours in the State Capitol and answered questions for 36 years, where he served with distinction under eleven governors; and
- WHEREAS: his sense of humor seemed to flourish in the Governor's Reception Room where he sometimes announced that a bust of Charles Graham -- another veteran -- would some day be on view in the hall; Van also was fond of surprising an unwary receptionist by telling his charges she was celebrating a birthday and to serenade her; and
- WHEREAS: Van's generosity is boundless and his many kindnesses are legend; his reputation as an excellent cook and as a superb maker of fudge will follow him wherever he goes, and
- WHEREAS: Van has received letters from all over the state, especially from teachers, who complimented and thanked him for making a day for a particular school group memorable; and
- WHEREAS: since July 1, 1970, Van has been responsible for dispensing information, wise counsel and good will at the Capitol Square Building; and
- WHEREAS: Vader Van Slyke is a very special person who will long be remembered with affection by governors, legislators, state employees and by thousands of visitors throughout the state and nation; and
- WHEREAS: Van has announced his retirement and is being honored at a reception on Thursday, June 27;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim June 27, 1974 to be

VADER VAN SLYKE DAY

in Minnesota and do hereby commend him for his dedicated service and for his great contribution to state government by making it a more pleasant place to work.

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Arlen J. Erdahl
Secretary of 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 twenty-sixth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four and of the State the one hundred and sixteenth.

Arlen J. Erdahl

Wendell R. Anderson
GOVERNOR