



# Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota ranks high among the states of this nation in the educational achievement of its citizens, and in the quality of the total educational community which have fostered this achievement; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota schools from the beginning have included both those of the public system and those operated under nonpublic auspices, affording the parents of our state a choice of educational alternatives for their children; and

WHEREAS: The religious groups of our state have had a long tradition of sponsoring schools on the elementary, secondary, and college levels; among these groups the Catholic Church began its first school in 1851 and now numbers 73,000 students in the 261 elementary and secondary Catholic schools of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Throughout the United States during the first week of February, Catholic Schools Week will be observed, in order to recognize the dedicated efforts of the lay and religious teachers, parents, administrators, clergy, and students whose common strivings continue to make these schools possible, as well as to produce graduates who are responsible and contributing members of our society;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim February 2 - 8, 1975, to be

Catholic Schools Week

in Minnesota.

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-seventh day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five and of the State the one hundred and seventeenth.

*Wendell R. Anderson*

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