



# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Fritz Klark represents a tremendous community asset never seen on the St. Paul city payroll; and
- WHEREAS: on Rice Street, also known as "Baseball Street", Fritz Klark is affectionately known as "Mr. Baseball"; and
- WHEREAS: back in the 1930's, Fritz Klark was one of St. Paul's best known amateur baseball players, whose reputation was once summed up as "Good field and no hit except with either fist"; and
- WHEREAS: since 1949, Fritz Klark has been head coach of the American Legion Junior Baseball team, Post #474, North End; and
- WHEREAS: his North End Legion teams have brought excitement, quality and success to American Legion baseball in Minnesota, piling up championship after championship; and
- WHEREAS: District 4 championships were captured by Fritz Klark teams from 1949 to 1954, with a record of 113 victories and 19 defeats, and again in 1956, 1957, 1959 and 1972; and
- WHEREAS: Fritz Klark's North Enders won five state championships in eight years -- 1949, 1950, 1952, 1954 and 1956 and were regional Legion champions in 1950, 1952 and 1956; and
- WHEREAS: his friends and admirers are honoring Fritz Klark at a testimonial dinner on Tuesday, November 26, 1974;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 26 to be

## FRITZ KLARK DAY

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-first day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four and of the State the one hundred and sixteenth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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Secretary of State

Wendell R. Anderson

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