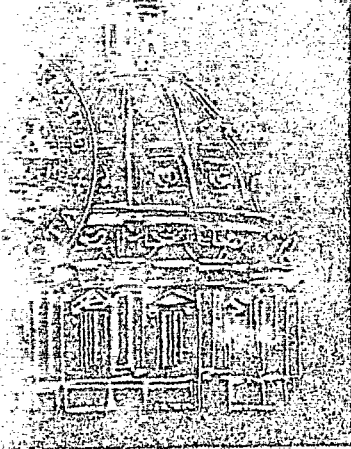




Proclamation

- AS: down through the years, the American merchant marine continued to serve our economic aspirations and to assist our military forces in times of emergency; and
- AS: today, when the United States is the world leader in trade and military power, the dual roles of our merchant marine remain vital to the national interests; and
- AS: under the Merchant Marine Act of 1970, new generations of highly advanced and efficient ships are being introduced into our merchant fleet to reinforce America's presence in the world's shipping lanes and to insure that our maritime capacities remain equal to their challenges; and
- AS: to promote public awareness of our maritime heritage, the Congress in 1933 designated the anniversary of the first transatlantic voyage by a steamship, the Savannah, on May 22, 1819, as National Maritime Day;

THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May 22, 1975 as

MARITIME DAY

Minnesota, and urge the people to honor our American Merchant Marine by displaying the flag of the United States at their homes and other suitable places.

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 March 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
GOVERNOR

Joan Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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