



WHEREAS: stamp collecting has become a universal language among many otherwise distinct groups where there exists a language and cultural barrier and, therefore, in

stamp collecting many people find a common base of understanding and friendship

WHEREAS: the Maplewood Stamp Club, having as its foremost objective the promotion of

philatelic study, will observe its ninth annual METROPEX Exhibition on November 29 and 30, 1975, at the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: the host Maplewood Stamp Club has selected the 200th Anniversary of the Armed Forces

as the theme for this year's exhibition; and

WHEREAS: METROPEX is designed to give our own United States Postal Service recognition, support, and to impress upon the public of the United States and the world that it has creative

as well as cultural values and should be a part of every person's daily life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of November 23, 1975, as

MINNESOTA STAMP COLLECTING WEEK

and Saturday, November 29, 1975, as

STAMP COLLECTING DAY

in Minnesota, and request the proper observance by all interested persons be displayed in the State of Minnesota. It is my hope that our citizens will come to a fuller appreciation of the cultural backgrounds found in the many countries represented by philatelic organizations the world over and see their own Minnesota heritage in renewed interest.

> 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 fourth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-five and of the State the one hundred seventeenth.

GOVERNOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OR STATE

CRETARY OF STATE