



Proclamation

WHEREAS: James R. Heltzer served as Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development from March 1973 to October 1975; and

WHEREAS: his primary effort during this time was to encourage the location and expansion of industry in non-metropolitan areas through use of the municipal industrial development bond program established by the 1967 Legislature; and

WHEREAS: under the leadership of Jim Heltzer, the bond program grew from 45 issue applications producing \$76,340,000 in capital investment and 2,557 new jobs in March 1973, to 166 approved applications generating \$404,873 in investment and 7,898 new jobs; and

WHEREAS: during his tenure, Jim Heltzer designed and developed a network of field representative to aid local communities to develop a strong industrial base and to encourage the growth of tourism; and

WHEREAS: Jim Heltzer played an active role in gaining passage of the Small Business Procurement Act which allocates a portion of the funds produced by state government contracts to further minority enterprises; and

WHEREAS: another of his legislative accomplishments involved the enactment of a bill making Native Americans eligible to receive economic loans; and

WHEREAS: Jim Heltzer diligently sought to attract foreign industry to Minnesota as well as to expand sales of Minnesota products outside the United States; and

WHEREAS: Jim Heltzer has been a dedicated and effective advocate for the business community during the 30 months he served as Commissioner;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 20, 1975 to be

JAMES R. HELTZER 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 twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-five and of the State the one hundred seventeenth.

Wendell R. Anderson

GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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