



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Thomas H. Tipton has been blessed with the talent to transform the written or spoken word into an eloquent phrase or song; and

WHEREAS: he began his professional career in communications as a radio announcer for WUST, Washington, D.C., and in 1955, after a two-year stint in the Signal Corps, starred as a television personality on Channel 5 in the Nation's Capital; and

WHEREAS: from 1962 to 1968, Tom Tipton was sales and public relations coordinator for the Milton H. Kronheim agency in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS: in Minneapolis, he served as TCIC deputy director for two years; and

WHEREAS: in 1970, he founded the Vanguard Advertising Agency, the first black-owned advertising agency in the state, and recently opened a branch in Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS: his interest in lending a helping hand to talented minority students eager to enter the mass communications field has inspired the establishment of the Tom Tipton Communications Scholarship Fund; and

WHEREAS: "Gospel Erupts," a testimonial to Tom Tipton in honor of his outstanding achievement as the founder of one of the Nation's most successful black advertising agencies is being held on Sunday, November 23; and

WHEREAS: this recognition will also serve as a means to raise money for the Tom Tipton Communications Scholarship Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota do hereby proclaim Sunday, November 23, 1975 to be

TOM TIPTON DAY

in Minnesota, and encourage all citizens to join me in celebrating this remarkable man's triumph and reflect upon the significance of this occasion.

FURTHERMORE, I urge all of Tom Tipton's many friends and admirers to contribute to the Scholarship Fund, thus helping to fulfill the dreams of the other Tom Tiptons of this world.

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 seventy-five and of the State the one hundred seventeenth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Wendell R. Anderson
Secretary of State

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