



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: General Patrick J. Halloran was born in Chatfield, Minnesota in 1928, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Halloran; and
- WHEREAS: He is a graduate of Chatfield High School, the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, and Troy (Alabama) State University; and
- WHEREAS: General Halloran is a command pilot with 6700 flying hours and was one of the first pilots to fly the triple-sonic SR 71 reconnaissance aircraft; and
- WHEREAS: he joined the Air Force in 1949. His first assignment was with the Strategic Air Command's 31st Fighter Wing, followed by a tour in Korea where he flew 100 combat missions in the F84 and earned his first Distinguished Flying Cross; and
- WHEREAS: he then was assigned to the highly classified U-2 program with the 4028th Strategic Reconnaissance Squadron at Laughlin AFB in 1957 and earned his second DFC; in 1961 he became Chief of the U-2 Wing Standardization Division and subsequently Squadron Deputy Commander, accumulating more than 1600 flying hours; and
- WHEREAS: on July 1, 1976, Patrick J. Halloran was promoted to Chief of Staff, 15th Air Force Strategic Air Command at March AFB, with the responsibility for SAC operations in the Western United States and Alaska; and
- WHEREAS: on April 1, 1977, he was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General for the SAC with headquarters at Offutt AFB, Nebraska; and
- WHEREAS: General Halloran is the first native born Chatfield resident in the community's 124 year history to achieve the rank of general; and
- WHEREAS: he will be Honorary Grand Marshal in Chatfield's 10th Annual Western Days Parade and Celebration on Saturday, August 13, 1977;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim that day, August 13 to be

GENERAL PATRICK J. HALLORAN DAY

in Minnesota, and on behalf of its citizens, express my admiration and gratitude to General Halloran for having honored his state through distinguished service and achievement.

FURTHERMORE, I extend my warmest best wishes to Chatfield on the occasion of this prestigious event.

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 19th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred nineteenth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Jean Anderson Skane
Secretary of State

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Skane
SECRETARY OF STATE