



WHEREAS: stamp collecting has become a universal language among many otherwise distinct groups

where there exists a language and cultural barrier; and

WHEREAS: in stamp collecting many people find a common base of understanding and friendship;

the Maplewood Stamp Club, having as its foremost objective the promotion of philatelic study, will observe its eleventh annual METROPEX Exhibition on November 26 and 27, 1977 WHEREAS:

at the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: the host Maplewood Stamp Club has selected to honor the 200th Anniversary of Old Glory

(American Flag) 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 which should be a part of every person's daily life; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of November 20, 1977 to be

MINNESOTA STAMP COLLECTING WEEK

and Saturday, November 26, 1977 to be

STAMP COLLECTING DAY

in Minnesota, and request the proper observance by all interested persons. It is my hope that ow citizens will come to a fuller appreciation of the cultural backgrounds found in the many countri represented by philatelic organizations the world over and renew interest in their own Minnesota heritage.

> 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 tenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred twentieth.

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