

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Gerald W. Christenson was appointed Commissioner of Finance for the State of Minnesota on June 1, 1975, soon after it was established and has served with distinction under two Governors; and
- WHEREAS: with diligence and effectiveness, he has developed the Department of Finance into a major policy, budgetary and administrative instrument for rational decision making; and
- WHEREAS: under Jerry's leadership Minnesota has enjoyed the prestige of a triple A rating; and
- WHEREAS: in 1971, he was named State Planning Director by Wendell R. Anderson and also served as chairman of the Minnesota Environmental Quality Council and vice chairman of the Minnesota Housing Agency; and
- WHEREAS: during this four and one-half year period, Jerry was a prime mover in the development of such diverse accomplishments as Minnesota's school aid formula, Right to Read program, and the Governor's Chemical Dependency Program. He also initiated the Governor's Rural Development Council and organization of the Commission on Minnesota's Future; and
- WHEREAS: in 1975, the Minnesota Society of Architects presented Jerry with a special award for contributing significantly to the enhancement of the future quality of life in Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: in 1977, in recognition of his notable achievements, Jerry received one of the first Awards for Distinguished Service to State Government from the National Governor's Conference; and
- WHEREAS: Gerald W. Christenson has brought new standards of excellence to the quality of state service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, December 27, 1978 to be

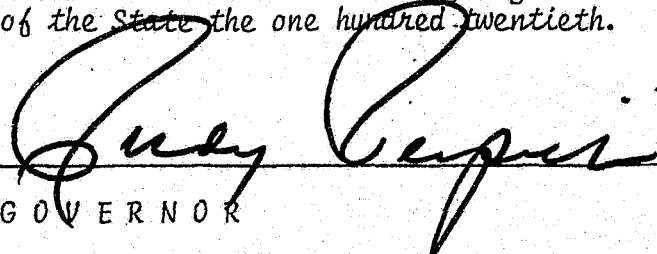
GERALD W. CHRISTENSON DAY

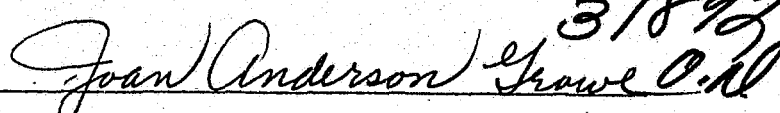
in Minnesota, and ask all citizens to join me in an expression of gratitude to a gifted public servant.

FURTHERMORE, I wish him many years of happiness, good health and success in all his future endeavors.

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-sixth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and of the State the one hundred twentieth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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DEC 26 1978  
Joan Anderson Stone  
Secretary of State

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE