



Proclamation

WHEREAS: PEOPLE OF ALL AGES HAVE UNIVERSALLY TURNED TO POETIC EXPRESSION AS A MEANS OF EXPRESSING THOUGHTS AND HOPES OF THEIR GENERATION; AND

WHEREAS: MUCH OF THIS POETRY HAS COME TO US IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY AS A CULTURAL HERITAGE OF INESTIMABLE VALUE, PASSED DOWN FROM THE FOLKLORE, PATRIOTISM AND RELIGION OF THE PAST, AND GIVING TONE AND CHARACTER TO THE CULTURE OF TODAY; AND

WHEREAS: THE POETRY AND CULTURE OF THIS GENERATION WILL GIVE SIMILAR IMPETUS AND STRENGTH TO THE LIVES OF COMING GENERATIONS; AND

WHEREAS: IN RECOGNITION OF THE PLACE OF POETRY IN THE CULTURAL LIFE OF THIS STATE AND NATION, IT IS FITTING THAT WE SET APART A DAY IN HONOR OF THOSE POETS OF THE PAST AND OF THE PRESENT WHO HAVE DONE AND CONTINUE TO DO SO MUCH TO ENRICH THE LIVES OF ALL PERSONS;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1980 TO BE

POETRY DAY

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS TENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND.

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GOVERNOR
Lou Wangberg
Govan Anderson