



Proclamation

WHEREAS: THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AND IDEAS OF THE AMERICAN INVENTOR THOMAS ALVA EDISON FORM A LIVING LEGACY WHICH CONTINUES TO INSPIRE ALL WHO ARE COMMITTED TO SCIENCE AND ITS RELATED DISCIPLINES; AND

WHEREAS: HIS INVENTIVE GENIUS AND EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION TO CAREFUL RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTATION CREATED NEW INDUSTRIES AND TECHNOLOGIES WHICH HAVE CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF OUR STATE AND NATION; AND

WHEREAS: THE THOMAS ALVA EDISON FOUNDATION, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEVOTED TO CONTINUING THE WORK OF THIS IMPORTANT MAN OF SCIENCE, SEEKS TO STIMULATE INCREASED AWARENESS AND INTEREST AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE IN CONSIDERING CAREERS IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING; AND

WHEREAS: AS PART OF THIS EFFORT, THE THOMAS ALVA EDISON FOUNDATION ACTIVELY ENCOURAGES HIGH SCHOOLS AND INDUSTRIES ACROSS THE NATION TO SET ASIDE ONE DAY EVERY YEAR TO PROVIDE STUDENTS AND TEACHERS WITH THE VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYED IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND RESEARCH; AND

WHEREAS: THE DATE CHOSEN FOR THIS NATIONAL OBSERVANCE IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF THOMAS ALVA EDISON, FEBRUARY 11, 1847;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, IN RECOGNITION OF THE WORTHY PURPOSE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE THOMAS ALVA EDISON FOUNDATION, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 11, 1981 TO BE

EDISON SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING YOUTH DAY

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I URGE THE PEOPLE OF MINNESOTA TO DO HONOR TO THE INSPIRING HERITAGE OF AMERICA'S GREAT INVENTIVE GENIUS, THOMAS ALVA EDISON, BY LENDING FULL SUPPORT TO ACTIVITIES DRAMATIZING TO YOUTH THE UNIQUE CHALLENGES OF SCIENCE AND INVENTION AND THEIR VITAL ROLE IN IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL IN TODAY'S EXPANDING UNIVERSE.

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

Joan Anderson Howe

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