Proclamation

WHEREAS: The verse from the Bible inscribed on the Liberty Bell states "Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof" (Lev 25:10); and

WHEREAS: THE LIBERTY BELL EDUCATION FOUNDATION OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA HAS BEEN CHARTERED TO TAKE A REPLICA OF THE LIBERTY BELL ON NATIONAL TOUR TO THE SCHOOL CHILDREN OF AMERICA; AND

WHEREAS: THE REVEREND JOSEPH B. HEAD, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SAID FOUNDATION, AND HIS WIFE, LEONA MAY, HAVE TAKEN THE REPLICA OF THE LIBERTY BELL TO 32 STATES AND TO 600,000 SCHOOL CHILDREN, GIVING THEM AN APPRECIATION FOR THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF OUR LIBERTY BELL AND DEEPENING THEIR LOVE OF AMERICA, ALSO THAT THEY MAY KNOW THE FREEDOMS WE ENJOY UNDER OUR CONSTITUTION - FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY, FREEDOM OF RELIGION, FREEDOM OF SPEECH, AND FREEDOM OF THE PRESS - AS WELL AS OUR FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM; AND

WHEREAS: THE PRESS. TELEVISION. RADIO AND OTHER MEDIA HAVE GIVEN NATIONAL PUBLICITY TO THE LIBERTY BELL TOUR AND MANY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS. GOVERNORS. SENATORS. CONGRESSMEN. MAYORS. JUDGES. AND OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS HAVE JOINED OVER 34.000 SCHOOL CHILDREN IN WRITING LETTERS TELLING OF THEIR APPRECIATION FOR THE LIBERTY BELL TOUR; AND

WHEREAS: THE LIBERTY BELL FOUNDATION HAS PURCHASED A NEW REPLICA OF THE LIBERTY BELL, WHICH IS BEING DEDICATED AT 11:00 A.M., SUNDAY, APRIL 18, AT THE FORT SNELLING MEMORIAL CHAPEL IN MINNEAPOLIS, WITH MANY VETERANS AND OTHER GROUPS PARTICIPATING;

NOW, THEREFORE, I. ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO-HEREBY PROCLAIM 1982 TO BE

LIBERTY BELL YEAR

IN MINNESOTA AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I URGE CITIZENS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE LIBERTY BELL TOUR AND GIVE WHATEVER ASSISTANCE THEY CAN TO BRINGING THE MESSAGE OF LIBERTY AND FREEDOM TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

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

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