



Proclamation

WHEREAS: PEOPLE OF ALL AGES HAVE UNIVERSALLY TURNED TO POETIC EXPRESSION AS A MEANS OF COMMUNICATING THE THOUGHTS AND HOPES OF THEIR SOCIETY, CULTURE, AND GENERATION; AND

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

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 9, 1982 TO BE

P O E T R Y D A Y

IN MINNESOTA. FURTHER, I URGE CITIZENS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THIS TIME APPROPRIATELY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS FOURTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
FILED
SEP 14 1982

Joan Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

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Albert H. Quie
GOVERNOR

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