

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

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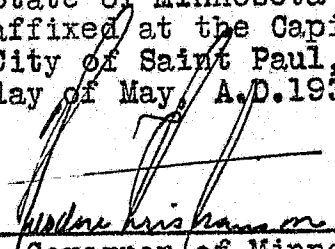
We are approaching the day which the people of this Commonwealth and of the Republic have consecrated to the memory of their noble and heroic dead. Gratitude for the sacrifices of the men who lost their lives that the Nation might live, inspired the idea of Memorial Day. The thought which suggested the inauguration of a sacred custom has gained force during the years. Each generation has surpassed its predecessor in the sacred task of commemoration, and this year more flowers will be placed upon hallowed graves, more eulogies pronounced upon soldiers living and dead, than on any previous Thirtieth of May.

It is well that a nation remember the men who have made sacrifices in its behalf. It is well that a people renew its faith in its ideals. It is well that men and women make fresh acknowledgment that human freedom is the noblest cause for which one may die, and the greatest purpose for which one may live.

This is an age which places great emphasis upon material things. Thank God that there are days set apart on which are stressed the spiritual values of the race. For material progress will not avail, nor can it long continue, unless there are spiritual forces to guide, inspire and direct. Our country will mingle with the dust of empires dead and gone, unless its people give renewed pledge from time to time to the ideals and hopes which gave it birth.

So, with reverence for the dead and loyalty to the living, with pride in the nation's past and unswerving faith in its future, let us assemble again on Memorial Day, Friday, May 30, 1930, in public exercises in every cemetery within the State where soldier dead have found their resting place. Let us scatter the flowers of grateful memory, and place on every grave a flag, the symbol for which they died, the sign for which it is our proudest privilege and most sacred duty to live and labor.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be hereto affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Saint Paul, this 24th day of May, A.D. 1930.


Governor of Minnesota.

ATTEST:


Secretary of State.

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