

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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P R O C L A M A T I O N

On the return of spring each year when a dormant nature comes to life we are instinctively brought face to face with our conservation problems. This spring because of an unprecedented period of drouth we are especially reminded of our utter dependability on water. Our crops have suffered, many of the beautiful lakes of which Minnesota is justly proud have all but disappeared and extensive areas in the State are facing a serious situation as regards their water supplies. We have come to a realization that even this resource of which we boast an abundance must be intelligently conserved to meet our needs. A national conscience has been aroused to the need of reclaiming our denuded forest areas, prevent the destruction of the fertility of our soils by erosion and the protection and propagation of our wild life resources as never before and has been reflected in a federal program of conservation on a scale never attempted before in this or any other nation. Minnesota shares in this program and has thousands of young men at work to improve and reclaim our forest lands and protect eroded areas. And while this is being carried on young men are receiving employment on work and surroundings which not only will redound in inestimable benefits to our natural resources but will give employment to thousands of youths under healthful and hopeful surroundings.

It is fitting that at this season of the year we should set aside one week when we should in a special way impress upon our citizens the importance of promoting the cause of the conservation of our natural resources and to make the development of forests, lakes, streams and wild life sanctuaries the means of furnishing employment for the thousands of our people who are in need of work and a means of recreation and sport to our citizens. Through such conservation planning we not only add to the wealth of our state, preserve its natural aesthetic attributes, and promote recreational facilities, but what is still more important we will

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give hope and encouragement to thousands of our citizens who are forced to seek public relief because of lack of employment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Floyd B. Olson, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby designate April 29th to May 5th as

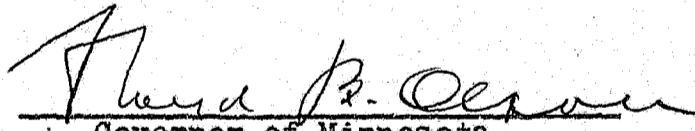
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and Friday, May 4th, as

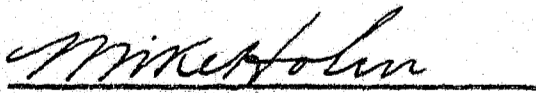
ARBOR AND BIRD DAY

I urge that organizations and institutions such as schools, churches and civic groups observe this week and this day with ceremonies appropriate to the occasion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this 18th day April, 1934.


Governor of Minnesota.

Attest:


Secretary of State.

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