

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
SAINT PAUL



PROCLAMATION

In the death of Magnus Johnson, the state of Minnesota has suffered the loss of a long-time colorful leader in public affairs. Magnus Johnson had the distinction of being one of the very few men who was an actual tiller of the soil to serve in the high office of United States Senator. Likewise he was a member of the national House of Representatives.

He began to take part in governmental affairs by holding local offices in the home county of Meeker, and was an officer and director in local and state-wide cooperative organizations. From there he was elected a member of the Minnesota House of Representatives and later of the State Senate, and then on to Congress.

Magnus Johnson was popular because he was honest, kind-hearted, congenial and a plain citizen, who remembered his old friends and neighbors. Busy as he was with public affairs and his work in building the progressive-liberal movement, he had time to be a good husband and father, and took a great and loving interest in his family.

Whether in the minority or in the majority, he was a champion of the people's rights and fought continuously and steadfastly for the interests of the common man.

THEREFORE, It is fitting and proper that the people of Minnesota honor this upright citizen for his many years of public service, and I, Hjalmar Petersen, Governor of Minnesota, hereby proclaim Wednesday, September 16th as a day of mourning throughout the state, and it is ordered that all state offices be closed on that day, and that flags fly at half-mast.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the State of Minnesota, this 14th day of September, 1936.

*Hjalmar Petersen*  
Governor

ATTEST:

*Mike Holm*  
Secretary of State.

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