

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

Three years ago - August 14, 1935 - the President signed the Social Security Act.

This great Act was a "declaration of interdependence."

It recognized that it is the obligation of responsible government to aid all of its citizens when insecurity and depression combine to deny them of their American right to be well-housed, well-clothed, and well-fed.

For many long years, millions of our people lived in constant dread of unemployment, of sickness and of penniless old age. But, with the signing of the Social Security Act, responsible government gave hope where before had been despair; gave security where before had been insecurity; and gave self-respect and opportunity where before had been only private charity and resignation.

Minnesota's progressive government has always supported the fundamental principle of social responsibility upon which the Social Security Act is predicated.

During the past three years, our public assistance and social security benefits have continually risen; they have continually embraced larger numbers of eligible persons; and they have been granted fully and without qualification to those made economically unfortunate through no fault of their own.

Minnesota is proud to join with the nation in celebrating this great occasion - the third anniversary of the Social Security Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer A. Benson, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 1938

as

SOCIAL SECURITY WEEK

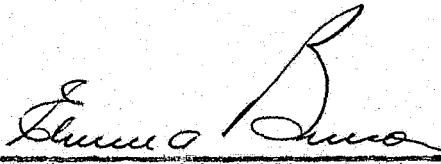
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and do urge that it be appropriately celebrated and observed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the
Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this 12th day of
August, 1938.


Governor of Minnesota

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Attest:


Secretary of State

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W. H. Johnson
Secretary of State.