STATE OF MINNESOTA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT SAINT PAUL PROCLAMATION

It is the inherent right and privilege of every American citizen to be accorded the opportunity to engage in useful pursuits that will benefit mankind in general through a fuller and happier life. With almost unlimited resources at hand, America's ability to produce is only restricted by the ability to make available the products of farm and factory to those in need of such products.

Because of present economic ills that beset our state and nation, it is well to pause and consider the plight of the workers of our country, whether these workers be on farms, in factories, in mines, in stores, or in offices. To this end, it is appropriate that at least one day each year be set aside to consider all those who toil for an honest livelihood.

When city workers benefit, those who toil on our farms, our professional classes, and those engaged in business, benefit because of increased purchasing power that results. So all who work, regardless of where such work may be, have a kindred interest in the welfare of each other.

NOW, THEREFORE, with these thoughts in mind, I, Elmer A. Benson, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby designate

MONDAY, September 5,1938

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LABOR DAY

and I urge that usual activities be dispensed with on this day so that Labor, -- farm, factory and white collar, -- may be carefully considered, to the end that greater benefits may be secured, leading to a more equitable distribution of what is produced, greater opportunities for recreation and study, and increased economic security.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Scal of the State of Minnesota, this 22nd day of August, 1938.

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Attest: Secretary of State

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