

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

One hundred and fifty-one years ago, our newly created government of the United States of America adopted our Constitution which was to serve as a guiding light through the turbulent years of political, economic, religious, educational and social development of our country.

What the Magna Charta has been to the English people, so has the Constitution of the United States been a document to which our people cling because of the fundamental truths it promulgated.

Even though in many instances our Constitution has been inadequate in the curtailment of vicious laws that had for their purpose the exploitation of our vast natural resources and the aggrandizement of vested capital, yet we have continued to hold faith because certain inalienable rights were guaranteed and would eventually be assured to our people through this historic document.

Progress in political and economic and social enlightenment has been slow and tedious but our Constitution has continued to render encouragement until today we see a brighter and more optimistic future for the masses of our people through better living conditions, a more equitable distribution of wealth and an improved method of defraying the cost of government.

That our attention may be focused on the democratic ideals enunciated in our Constitution and that we may renew our faith in our democratic form of government, I, Elmer A. Benson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby designate

Saturday, September 17, 1938

as

CONSTITUTION DAY

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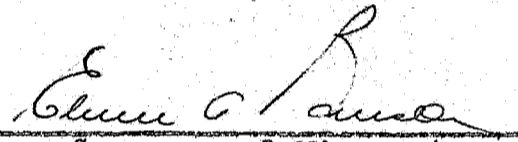
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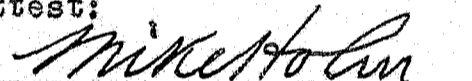


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I urge that the occasion be observed with proper services in homes, schools, churches and by our civic and patriotic organizations, with particular attention on the part of youth in these exercises, that our boys and girls may appreciate to a greater degree the responsibilities of government as exemplified by our Constitution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this 7th day of September, 1938.

  
Governor of Minnesota

Attest:  
  
Secretary of State

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*W. H. Johnson*  
Secretary of State.