

PROCLAMATION

Trees have an inestimable value to Minnesota.

Throughout the rich historical background and traditions of the Commonwealth, trees and the economic heritage they represent, have been a dominant force.

In the early lumbering days that force was primarily economic. In the years that have followed, social and aesthetic values have joined those of economic.

To encourage public appreciation of the tree as a symbol of beauty and the natural resources that are Minnesota's, and to emphasize the necessity for perpetuation of it, continuous planting of trees is necessary.

Coincident with this new appreciation for the trees, has grown a sentiment for birds. From earliest times, birds have aided Minnesota economically by waging on insects. Equally important, birds have an aesthetic value and are a prized recreational medium through the hunt, bird study, and allied pursuits.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold E. Stassen, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby designate Friday, May 3rd, as ARBOR and BIRD DAY. I urge that schools, churches, civic units, sportsmen's organizations and all public minded groups, observe this day by planting trees, by encouraging bird appreciation, and with appropriate programs.

Signed 
Governor of Minnesota

Dated:
April 8, 1940

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Attest:



Secretary of State

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