



State of Minnesota
 EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
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 HAROLD E. STASSEN, GOVERNOR

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Wickstrom
 Secretary of State

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, a state of war exists and it appears; that there is an extreme shortage of rubber for automobile tires, that the tires on the automobiles within the state are wearing down, are becoming increasingly dangerous to operate at high speed and constitute a hazard on the highways, that the toll of injuries and lives lost from automobile accidents has increased within the state and the nation, and that operation at lower speeds conserves tires and prevents accidents, and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has requested the several states to limit the speed of automobiles within their borders,

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that a speed greater than forty miles per hour within the State of Minnesota shall be considered a speed that is not reasonable and prudent under the law, and the people of the state are hereby requested not to operate any motor vehicle on the highways of the state at a greater speed than forty miles per hour, provided that motor vehicles equipped with good tires, operated by members of the armed forces of the United States or of the state while on duty, by persons engaged in authorized civilian defense or war emergency work while on duty, or by physicians responding to professional calls, and commercial buses behind schedule, equipped with good tires, may be driven upon an open, non-congested highway at such speeds as are permitted under existing laws, not exceeding fifty miles per hour; provided further, that authorized emergency vehicles may be driven anywhere at such speeds as are permitted by existing laws, but the drivers of such vehicles are requested to exercise special care in view of the conditions above recited.

All enforcement officers in the state are requested to assist in securing compliance with this emergency order.

The State Highway Commissioner shall promptly cause to be taken down all speed signs in the state indicating any speed greater than forty miles per hour.

This order shall take effect at twelve o'clock noon on May 29, 1942.

Attested:

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