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W. H. H. H.
Secretary of State

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Lieutenant Governor Ed Thye
State Capitol
Saint Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I herewith sign and present to you, as the duly elected Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota, my resignation as Governor of the State. As you know, I leave to enter into active service in the United States Navy.

I therefore place in your hands the executive authority over the state as provided in the Constitution. I present to you the Governor's flag and the keys to the Governor's Office. You will preside over a great and diversified state of field and of forest, of mines and of industries. It is peopled by a splendid people, sons and daughters of every nation in the world, loyal citizens by birth or adoption of our beloved United States of America.

I trust you will administer the affairs of the state with the basic integrity that is the strength of your character, with the forthrightness and directness that the people have recognized in you, with confidence in the people, and with faith in God; that you will be fair to all, but dominated by none; that you will pursue the progressive domestic philosophy that is yours; that you will continue to recognize that Minnesota is not only a part of the United States of America, but also a part of the world; that you will be unwavering in your basic principles, but tolerant of those who disagree with you; that you will use the full resources of the state to back up the Stars and Stripes until they are victorious in this war, and that you will point the road away from isolationism to an advance in the science of government to win an enduring peace.

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Sincerely yours,

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