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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, Franklin D. Roosevelt, has ordered May twenty-second set aside as National Maritime Day and requested the governors of the forty-eight states to do the same, and

WHEREAS, this day marks the anniversary of the first successful trans-oceanic voyage of a steam vessel, and

WHEREAS, the Merchant Marine is today carrying out the herculean tasks of delivering the goods across the seven seas to our fighting forces and to those of our allies,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWARD J. THYE, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim

Monday, May twenty-second

as

MARITIME DAY

In the State of Minnesota, and urge that special services be held in churches of all denominations on Sunday, May 21, the day preceding "Maritime Day", for the more than 5,000 merchant officers and seamen who have given their lives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol in St. Paul,

this 22nd day of May, 1944.

*Edward J. Thye*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: *Spicer Hobson*

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Secretary of State