## PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, February 4th is the Fourth Anniversary of the incorporation of the United Service Organizations, and
- WHEREAS, this incorporation made possible the amalgamation of the combined war efforts of the Young Men's Christian Association, the National Catholic Community Service, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Salvation Army, the National Jewish Welfare Board and the National Travelers' Aid Association to provide the recreational, spiritual and welfare needs of those in the armed forces, and
- VREREAS, these organizations, assisted by community USO councils and committees, have joined together almost a million men and women. USO volunteers of the three great religious faiths, in a common cause, thereby earning the gratitude and support of the American people, and
- WHEREAS, now approximately 2800 USO facilities supply a valuable need in the lives of the men and women in the war service of our nation by providing them with spiritual comfort and recreation in the warmth of a homelike atmosphere in places far from home.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWARD J. THYE, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the Fourth Anniversary of the incorporation of the USO as a notable event in a democracy at war, and do call upon all citizens of the State of Minnesota to observe the anniversary by visiting USO centers accessible to them February 4th, and by taking part in the ceremonies arranged to celebrate this occasion.

(SEAL)

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 26th day of January. 1945

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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