STATE OF MINNESOTA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT SAINT PAUL 1

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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the United States Infantry Association has selected June 15 as Infantry Day and General Joseph W. Stillwell, Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, has published to his command a statement authorizing the proper observance of the day by Army Ground Forces, and
- V N E R E A S, June 15 was chosen as Infantry Day because it was on that day in 1775 General George Washington became Commander in Chief of the Continental Army which was composed almost entirely of Infantry units, and
- WHEREAS, the designation of Infantry Day is in furtherance of the desire to continue recognition of the dignity and in portance of the vital role played by the Infantry in all the theaters of the war, and of the exceptions desards made upon his courage, endurance, and fortitude,
- WHEREAS, Minnesotans by the thousands are serving their still shall country in the Infantry, and
- W N E R E A S, the Infantry has been magnificent in the heroic attainment of its objectives by feroclous hand-to-hand and close combat fighting,
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWARD J. THYE, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim

June 15, 1945

ae Infantry day

In Minnesota, and I atrongly urge the people of the State to participate in appropriate observances and ceremonies in recognition and appreciation of our hard fighting and valiant American Infantrymen, who have contributed immeasurably to the successful prosecution of the war.

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 13th day of June, 1945.

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ATTEST:

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