

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

W H E R E A S, the Constitution of the United States of America was formally adopted on the 17th day of September 1787 at the Constitutional Convention of the representatives of the original 13 states assembled at Philadelphia, and

W H E R E A S, with the passing of each year we more clearly understand and appreciate the profound wisdom and constructive statesmanship of the men who drafted this great document, and

W H E R E A S, in spite of changing industrial, social, political and economic conditions and tremendous expansion in area and population, the plan of government created by our constitution still remains the best system of government ever devised, and

W H E R E A S, the Constitution provides stability, permits progress, gives a voice to all, and insures justice for everyone, thereby binding together the peoples of all the states into a powerful union, and

W H E R E A S, September 17th of this year marks the 158th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution

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

Monday, September 17, 1945

as
Constitution Day

and I urge that this day be observed throughout the state in solemn re-consecration of its preamble prayer:

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this constitution for the United States of America."

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 11th day of September 1945.

Edward J. Thye
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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Mike Johnson
SECRETARY OF STATE

