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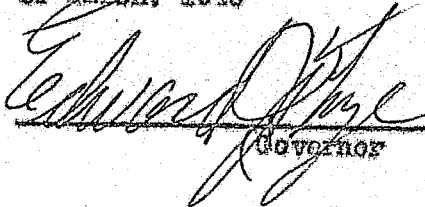
A Proclamation in Honor of American Prisoners of War

Among those who served our country during the war were many who fell into the hands of the enemy while performing perilous duties on the land, at sea, and in the air. These men, although unarmed and at the mercy of the enemy, exemplified in the prison camps of the Far East and Europe, and elsewhere, extraordinary courage and endurance. Some of their number laid down their lives; all were subjected to cruel suffering.


The exemplary fortitude of American prisoners of war, particularly the human dignity and honor which they displayed, have won them a high place among the valliant heroes of our country. The admiration and affection of the American people have been revealed to these men in many ways, but it is now fitting and proper that there should be a public expression of that high appreciation on the part of the nation. Minnesota is proud to join in such a tribute to its own sons, and to all Americans, who were prisoners of war.

Therefore, I hereby designate the days from March 29 to April 5, 1946, as American Prisoner of War Week in Minnesota, and I urge the people of the state to observe this period in public recognition of these honored Americans whose conduct and heroism testify to the integrity of our character as a people.

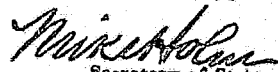
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol in St. Paul this 27th day of March, 1946


Governor

Attest:


Secretary of State

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