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A PROCLAMATION FOR "FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IN MINNESOTA"

WHEREAS, fires in Minnesota last year took the lives of forty-two, four of whom were children, injured 116, of whom 16 were children, and resulted in property losses amounting to more than sixteen and one-half million dollars; and

WHEREAS, as many as ninety percent of fires are caused by carelessness and, therefore, could have been prevented; and

WHEREAS, the National observation of Fire Prevention Week is intended to stimulate greater efforts to prevent such needless loss and suffering caused by fires;

I, THEREFORE, I, CHESTER L. PETERSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 6th through the 12th, 1958 as

"FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IN MINNESOTA"

and urge all local authorities, civic organizations, schools, churches and all other interested groups and individuals to give special attention to the prevention of fires and the elimination of conditions which constitute fire hazards.

I further urge every individual to recognize that he has an important role in eliminating fire hazards in the home, and a responsibility to share in preventing the circumstances which cause most of our fire losses.

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 this twenty-eighth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight and of the state, the one hundred first.

*Chester L. Peterson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

*Joseph L. Donovan*  
SECRETARY OF STATE