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

- WHEREAS, the dog has long been recognized for his unbounded devotion and friendship as a family pet; and
- WHEREAS, the dog also has established an unusual history of unique services to mankind, including that as a guide for the blind, as a retriever for the hunter, as a watchman and protector for the family and its property, as an aide to the law enforcement officer and the soldier, as a performer and income producer; and
- WHEREAS, the dog has been cited countless times for special deeds of heroism involving the rescue of humans in peril of death by drowning, fire, storm, accident, civil disasters and military conflicts; and
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Branch joins with the Humane Society of the United States in sponsoring an appropriate observance of the importance of this valuable animal and its contributions to our way of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 22-28, 1968 as

"DOG WEEK"

in Minnesota and urge all citizens to acquaint themselves with the information provided by the Humane Society, emphasizing that your dog needs good food, health care, training and affection.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this twelfth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, and of the State, the one hundred eleventh.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE