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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, people of all ages have universally turned to poetic expression as a means of expressing thoughts and hopes of their generation, and

WHEREAS, much of this poetry has come to us in the twentieth century as a cultural heritage of inestimable value, passed down from the folklore, patriotism and religion of the past, giving tone and character to the culture of today, and

WHEREAS, the poetry and culture of this generation will give similar impetus and strength to the lives of coming generations, and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the place of poetry in the cultural life of this State and of the Nation, it is fitting that we set apart a day in honor of those poets of the past and the present who have done and are doing so much to enrich the lives of all persons, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 15, 1968, as

"POETRY DAY"

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to join in its observance.

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 15<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, and of the State, the one hundred eleventh.

*Harold LeVander*  
GOVERNOR

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