

## STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Governor Wendell Richard Anderson was born on February 1, 1933, in Saint Paul,

Minnesota; he attended Johnson High School and later graduated with a bachelor's

degree from the University of Minnesota in 1954; and

WHEREAS: Governor Anderson was a defenseman for the United States hockey team, winning a

silver medal in the 1956 Olympics in Italy; and

WHEREAS: Governor Anderson served his country honorably in the United States Army from 1956-

1957 and went on to continue his education, graduating from the University of

Minnesota Law School in 1960; and

WHEREAS: Governor Anderson married Mary Christine McKee in 1963, raising three children: Amy,

Elizabeth, and Brett; and

WHEREAS: After serving terms in both the Minnesota House and Senate from 1959-1971, Governor

Anderson's commitment to public service was furthered when he was elected Minnesota's thirty-third Governor in 1970, serving from January 4, 1971, through

December 29, 1976; and

WHEREAS: One of Governor Anderson's greatest accomplishments was helping to create the

"Minnesota Miracle of 1971," a strategic initiative that reformed the financing of

Minnesota public schools and local governments; and

WHEREAS: Governor Anderson served in the United States Senate succeeding Vice President Walter

Mondale in 1976; and

WHEREAS: Governor Anderson passed away on Sunday, July 17, 2016 and a memorial service will be

held on Monday, August 15, 2016; and

WHEREAS: Throughout his service in public office, Governor Wendell Anderson embodied the spirit

and aspirations of Minnesotans, earning a place in the hearts of our people and the

history of our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby order all United States flags and Minnesota flags be flown at half-staff at all state and federal buildings in the State of Minnesota until sunset on Sunday, July 24, 2016, and from sunrise until sunset on Monday, August 15, 2016, in honor and remembrance of former Minnesota Governor Wendell Anderson.



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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE