

# Minnesota Declaration of World Citizenship

## State of Minnesota

WHEREAS, in recognition of the greatly increased interdependence of the world in this age of nuclear power, pollution, hunger, and

WHEREAS, realizing that the common interests of man can only be met through world cooperation, and

WHEREAS, seeking to free mankind from the curse of war and to harness all available sources of energy and knowledge to the service of man's needs, and

WHEREAS, aware that we can best serve our city, county, state and nation when we also think and act as world citizens,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Governor and Legislative Leaders of Minnesota recognize the sovereign right of our citizens to declare that their citizenship responsibilities extend beyond our state and nation. We hereby join with other concerned people of the world in a declaration that we share in this world responsibility and that our citizens are in this sense citizens of the world. We pledge our efforts as world citizens to the establishment of permanent peace based on just world law and to the use of world resources in the service of man and not for his destruction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as a symbol of our obligations as world citizens, we proudly display the United Nations flag with the United States flag at the main entrance to the State Capitol and urge other states to do the same.

Effective March 26, 1971.

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Governor, State of Minnesota

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Senate Majority Leader

*Andy Bergiel*  
Lt. Governor

*Ernest Lindstrom*  
House Majority Leader

*Nicholas D. Coleman*  
Senate Minority Leader

*Aubrey W. Wislamb*  
Speaker of the House

*Martin D. Sabo*  
House Minority Leader

We, the undersigned, commend the State Officials for the above splendid World Citizenship Declaration. We recognize that Minneapolis was the first city to adopt such a Declaration in March 1968, and now Minnesota is the first State in the Nation to adopt World Citizenship. We urge our cities, other states, our nation and other nations to follow this example, which is a valuable step in building a World Community of Peace under Just Law.

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Member of Congress

*Bill French*  
Member of Congress

*Donald W. Fraser*  
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