

Executive Department
State of California

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

WHEREAS, the inventive genius of Thomas Alva Edison has immeasurably advanced the frontiers of American science and the welfare of all mankind, and, by creating industries employing millions of people, has added greatly to the technology upon which America's pre-eminence largely rests;

WHEREAS, recent events have shown that this strong scientific position is being seriously challenged;

WHEREAS, in this age of limitless scientific horizons, our Country's need for men like Edison has never been more urgent;

WHEREAS, the only long-range approach to meeting this need for scientific manpower is the motivation of more young Americans toward careers in science, and the removal of artificial barriers to preparation for these fields;

NOW I THEREFORE urge the people of this State, and its schools, teachers, parents, industries and civic organizations to encourage youth to take advantage of the great opportunities of modern science and technology; and

I DO HEREBY PROCLAIM February 11, 1959, the occasion of Thomas Alva Edison's 112th birthday as

SCIENCE YOUTH DAY

A day on which the citizens of this State will do honor to the inspiring heritage of America's great inventive genius, Thomas Alva Edison, and will lend full support to all activities which dramatize to youth the unique challenges of science and invention in today's expanding universe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 13th day of January, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-nine.

Edmund G. Brown
Governor

ATTEST:

James M. Jordan
Secretary of State

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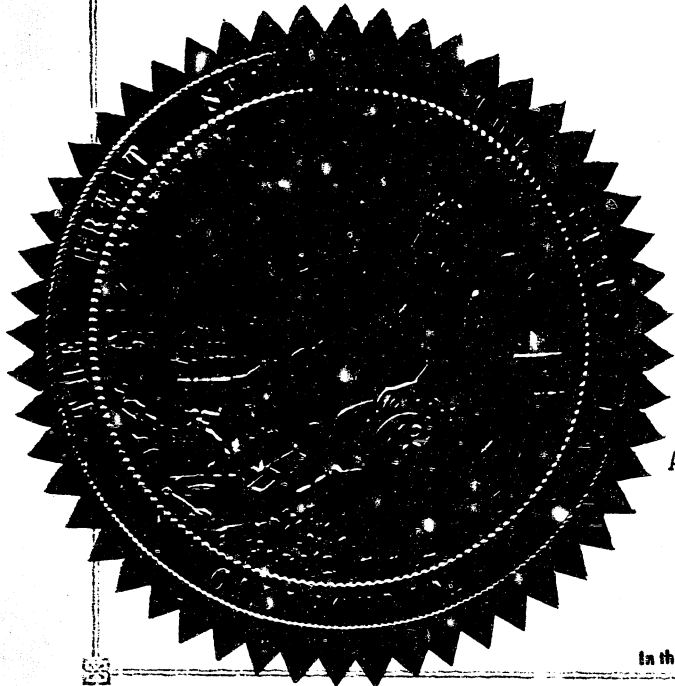
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