

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: the parks of the United States are one of our nation's priceless possessions; and
- WHEREAS: millions of citizens enjoy the natural beauty and recreational advantages of our parks; and
- WHEREAS: these parks protect our natural environment and wildlife against the encroachments of civilization; and
- WHEREAS: the year 1972 marks the 100th anniversary of our country's National Park System, beginning with the establishment of Yellowstone National Park in 1872 to save our most valued natural wonders and historical features for the benefit and enjoyment of this and future generations; and
- WHEREAS: Congress has authorized the establishment of Voyageurs National Park in the Northern forest-lake region of Minnesota, thus assuring the preservation of a priceless natural resource for all time;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim 1972 as

NATIONAL PARK CENTENNIAL YEAR

and do call upon all citizens to support the ideals and philosophy of the National Park concept.

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 twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two and of the State, the one hundred fiftieth.

Wendell R. Anderson
GOVERNOR

Arlen J. Erdahl
SECRETARY OF STATE

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