



# Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota is a leader in the quality of life it provides its citizens; and

WHEREAS: this ranking demonstrates a concern and effort by the citizens of this state toward improving the total environment, educating and encouraging its youth, and providing for the overall needs of people; and

WHEREAS: cooperative businesses along with corporations, partnerships, and proprietorships strive to do their share in improving the quality of life for people within the framework of the private enterprise system; and

WHEREAS: cooperatives serve farmers and consumers alike, for the processing and marketing of agricultural products and for the purchase of goods and services by consumers; and

WHEREAS: by providing jobs, capital investments, competitive prices, quality control and new products development, and by returning earnings to local owners, these cooperative businesses contribute substantially to our agricultural progress and general economic and social development;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October 1974 as

## CO-OP MONTH

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens of our state to recognize the economic and democratic value of cooperatives as "Partners for Progress" by the care they have shown in improving the quality of life for all the people of our state.

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 seventeenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four and of the State the one hundred and sixteenth.

*Wendell R. Anderson*

GOVERNOR

*Arlen D. Erdahl*

SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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*Arlen D. Erdahl*  
Secretary of State

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