



WHEREAS: Grant Merritt has served as Director of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency since March of 1971; and

whereas: under Grant Merritt's leadership, the PCA has become an aggressive champion of environmental quality, and he has been instrumental in Minnesota's enactment of the toughest, most comprehensive environmental laws in the nation; and

WHEREAS: Grant Mertitt has represented Minnesota with great distinction on the Great Lakes Water Quality Board and has played a major role, both as a creator and a participant, in the development of Minnesota's Environmental Quality Council; and

WHEREAS: as private citizen and public official, Grant Merritt has fought with characteristic tenacity and courage to halt the dumping of 67,000 tons a day of taconite tailings into Lake Superior and bring to an end the pollution of the greatest body of fresh water in North America; and

WHEREAS: through his unwavering dedication to the protection of Minnesota's environment, Grant Merritt has made this state a cleaner and better place in which to live, both today and for generations to come; and

WHEREAS: though he has officially resigned from the PCA, Grant Merritt will never resign from his deep and abiding commitment to restore and preserve the Minnesota environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, June 24, 1975 as

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in Minnesota, and on behalf of its citizens, do hereby extend to Grant Merritt my heartfelt admiration and appreciation for his years of distinguished public service, and wish him every success as he returns to the practice of law.

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-fourth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five and of the State, the one hundred and seventeenth.

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