



Proclamation

WHEREAS: hockey is one of the most popular sports in Minnesota and the Fighting Saints have enhanced this interest immeasurably; and

WHEREAS: the Fighting Saints are in their fourth year in St. Paul and made the playoffs each of the first three years; and

WHEREAS: the Fighting Saints enjoy the distinction of having drawn the largest single attendance in Minnesota hockey history -- 17,312 spectators; and

WHEREAS: in 1974-75, the Fighting Saints drew more than 400,000 dedicated fans. This year the Saints are averaging 9,000, the best of all U.S. teams in the WHA; and

WHEREAS: the Fighting Saints players are among the most exciting in the Nation; there are eleven Minnesotans under contract on the team; and

WHEREAS: the Saint Paul Civic Center offers an unmatched show arena, second to none in North America; and

WHEREAS: the Fighting Saints give Saint Paul not only professional entertainment but contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the community by bringing in \$16 million a year; and

WHEREAS: Saint Paul loves the Saints and the Saints love Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS: the Saints are fighting for financial survival despite their spectacular success and enthusiastic following;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, January 10, 1976 to be

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in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to recognize the urgency and join in the effort to retain in our State a great civic resource, the Minnesota Fighting Saints.

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 ninth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-six and of the State the one hundred eighteenth.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Secretary of State

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Wendell R. Anderson
SECRETARY OF STATE