



# Proclamation

- AS: the 503rd Airborne Parachute Regimental Combat team of World War II was founded in 1941 at Ft. Benning, Georgia; and
- AS: the 503rd Airborne Parachute RCT WW II, an organization of Army personnel who volunteered to parachute to engage the enemy, is observing their 35th Anniversary since activation; and
- AS: the 503rd Airborne Parachute RCT parachuted and engaged the enemy in combat at Hollandia, Mindoro, Nadzab, Noenfoor, Negros, Corregidor; and
- AS: the 503rd RCT, in their most famous "Rock" Corregidor Island jump, jumped and retook Corregidor and avenged General Jonathan "Skinny" Wainwright and his gallant men; and
- AS: the membership of the 503rd Airborne Parachute RCT WW II Association was founded for the purpose of annual reunion of those living to commemorate and remember those who gave their lives for their country in World War II; and
- AS: the 503rd Parachute RCT WW II Association has chosen the Holiday Motel in Anoka, Minnesota for their American Bicentennial Reunion site;

THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the  
of July 12 through July 18, 1976 as

## 503rd AIRBORNE PARACHUTE RCT WW II ASSOCIATION WEEK

Minnesota, and do call upon all citizens, business places and organizations to join with me in  
meeting these World War II veterans and do welcome the 503rd Airborne Parachute RCT WW II Association.

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

*Wendell R. Anderson*

GOVERNOR

*Jean Anderson Grove*

SECRETARY OF STATE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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*Jean Anderson Grove*  
Secretary of State