

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Minnesotans are privileged to live in one of the richest agricultural lands on earth; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesotans have made responsible use of this and other natural resources to create an exceptionally high quality of life in their state; and
- WHEREAS: good health and nutrition are basic components of a high quality of life; and
- WHEREAS: the Food Stamp Program provides better nutrition for thousands of Minnesotans while encouraging them to build and maintain financial independence; and
- WHEREAS: the Food Stamp Program directly benefits Minnesota's basic industry, the agribusiness industry, including farmers, food processors and food retailers by increasing use of their products; and
- WHEREAS: the Food Stamp Program indirectly contributes to all segments of Minnesota's economy by generating new business, jobs, and tax revenues; and
- WHEREAS: the Minnesota Department of Public Welfare estimates that only one-third of the eligible Minnesotans are currently participating in the Food Stamp Program; and
- WHEREAS: the importance of Food Stamps is being regionally recognized in an Outreach Conference on April 15, 1977;

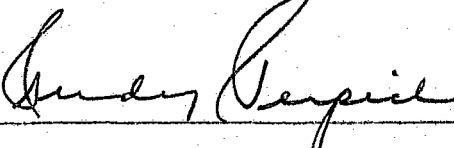
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the next thirty days as

FOOD STAMP MONTH

in Minnesota, in recognition of the contribution of the Food Stamp Program to Minnesota's high quality of life. Furthermore, I take this occasion to encourage all eligible Minnesotans to participate in the Food Stamp Program.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Joan Anderson Grawe
Secretary of 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 thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred nineteenth.


GOVERNOR

Joan Anderson Grawe