

State of Minnesota

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WHEREAS: Minnesota is the leading state in cooperative development; and

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

framework of the private enterprise system; and

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

and

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, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1977 to be

COOPERATIVE MONTH

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens of our state to recognize the economic and democratic values of cooperatives 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 twenty-ninth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred nineteenth.

ECRETARY OF STATE

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