



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: pleasure boating has become a major source of leisure-time pleasure; a fascinating recreational outlet for all age groups; a widely varied sport that has become one of the fastest growing forms of recreation in the state and also throughout the nation; and
- WHEREAS: the safe and sane use of our waterways is the shared responsibility of all its users; we must always be mindful to avoid turning pleasure into tragedy; and
- WHEREAS: all who utilize our waterways should be mindful of the need to conserve fuel so that our energy needs may be met; and
- WHEREAS: all persons who utilize our state waterways for recreation should possess at least a minimum knowledge of water safety for their own protection, for safety of their passengers, their craft and as a protection for others using the waters of the state; and
- WHEREAS: the United States Congress, being aware of the need for boating safety, on June 4, 1958, enacted a joint resolution directing that the week which includes July 4, be proclaimed annually as National Safe Boating Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, join with the Governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and American Samoa, and the Commissioner of the District of Columbia, in proclaiming the week beginning July 3, 1977 as

SAFE BOATING WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge all who engage in recreational boating to take advantage of the numerous boating safety courses offered by various governmental and private organizations. I especially urge inexperienced operators of small watercraft to enroll in educational courses which are designed to teach the fundamentals of safe boating.

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.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Joan Anderson Grane
SECRETARY OF STATE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Secretary of State