



Proclamation

WHEREAS: *the gift of laughter is one of the characteristics which distinguishes human beings from all other creatures; and*

WHEREAS: *the art of clowning, which transmits joy to persons of all ages, deserves appropriate recognition for the great happiness it brings to our communities; and*

WHEREAS: *such deserved admiration has been forthcoming in the form of a national proclamation for Clown Week; and*

WHEREAS: *these masters of mirth and merriment, known as clowns, have selflessly donated time, effort and energy to many of our less fortunate citizens; and*

WHEREAS: *in these troubled times it is heartening to pay tribute to clowns who spend many hours bringing a laugh or smile where it is so badly needed;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim August 1 through August 7 of each year to be

CLOWN WEEK

in Minnesota.

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 July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred nineteenth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Thorne
SECRETARY OF STATE

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