

WHEREAS: General Casimir Pulaski served courageously and selflessly in the cause of human

freedom and dignity during the American War for Independence; and

WHEREAS: General Pulaski, with his own personal funds, organized the "Pulaski Legion", was mortally wounded in defense of Savannah in 1779, and two days later died on board

the ship, Wasp; and

the memory of his deeds and heroism in a land far removed from his native Poland has served as a constant reminder and an inspiration to all Americans, especially WHEREAS:

to those of Polish descent, and calls to mind the contributions that other dis-

tinguished citizens of Polish ancestry have made to this Nation; and

WHEREAS: General Pulaski's relentless yearning and striving for freedom for the oppressed peoples of his native land, and all others throughout the world, serve as shining symbols to those who daily face adversity in the struggle for liberation of all

mankind;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesda October 11, 1977 as

GENERAL CASIMIR PULASKI DAY

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to pay tribute to the memory of this great leader.

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 fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-seven and of the State the one hundred twentieth.

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