

in recognition of the contributions persons of Hispanic descent have made to our WHEREAS:

Nation, the second week in September of every year is National Hispanic Week by

Presidential declaration; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota's Hispanic heritage population comprises the largest racial minority of

the state; and

WHEREAS: this population has contributed, through their diligence and labor, to the state's

agricultural and industrial economies; and

WHEREAS: through their proud heritage and rich culture, they have enriched Minnesota's

history; and

WHEREAS: their successful efforts in the political and legislative process have demonstrated

a strong desire and commitment to be full participants in this state's democratic

process; and

WHEREAS: their Spanish language and bilingual traditions have given the state of Minnesota

a unique educational opportunity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 12 through September 17, 1977 as

HISPANIC HERITAGE 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 seventh 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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