

Troclamation

WHEREAS: newspapers are vigorous defenders of our basic constitutional rights, including

freedom of speech and freedom of the press; and

WHEREAS: newspapers in Minnesota have helped to shape the growth and development of this

state throughout its history; and

WHEREAS: the National Newspaper Association, which represents the nation's small daily and

weekly press, was established in Winona; and

WHEREAS: freedom of the press not only is relevant to all of the media, but serves to

perpetuate the integrity and honor of our birthright as members of a free society;

and

WHEREAS: this freedom has continuously been nurtured by an unfettered press and by the

vigilance and skill of publishers, editors and journalists throughout the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 9, 1977 to be

NATIONAL NEWSPAPER WEEK

in Minnesota, and call upon all citizens to salute the nation's newspapers and the hard-working men and women who have made the press indispensable to our democratic way of life.

FURTHERMORE, I congratulate the newspapers in our state for being such vigorous proponents of openness in government, thus helping to make Minnesota a national model for accountability to the public.

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 nineteenth 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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Jean Orderen Strives
Secretary of State