



WHEREAS: throughout the United States and Canada there are thousands of children in foster

and substitute care waiting for permanent, nurturing, loving families; and

WHEREAS: the Child Welfare League of America and the United States Department of Health,

Education, and Welfare estimate that 120,000 of these children are adoptable; and

WHEREAS: the North American Council on Adoptable Children and other child advocacy organiza-

tions are joining efforts to increase adoption awareness and recognition of adoption

as a viable way to bring families and children together; and

WHEREAS: many Minnesota citizens are unaware of changes in both adoption requirements and

the nature of children available for adoption in recent years; and

WHEREAS: there are adoption agencies throughout the state of Minnesota committed to the

placement of children in permanent homes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the period of November 19 through November 27, 1977 to be

ADOPTION WEEK

in Minnesota, and call upon all Minnesota citizens to become familiar with adoption services in this state and support efforts to find homes for children without families of their own.

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

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