

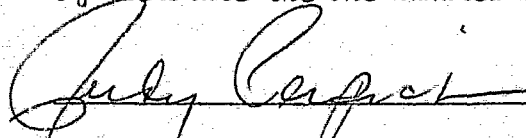
# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: on January 27, 1978, Jean Davis Conklin will complete 30 years of dedicated service with Gillette Children's Hospital. For 28 of those years she was the Hospital's Administrator; and
- WHEREAS: her Gillette service was interrupted for four years during World War II. Jean's tour of duty with the U.S. Army Nurse Corps was in England, North Africa and Italy; and
- WHEREAS: the esteem in which Jean Conklin is held by the community is evidenced by numerous awards she has received such as the "Citizen of the Year Award" presented by the Great St. Paul Council of Employment of the Handicapped, the "Distinguished Service Award" presented by the Minnesota Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the "Angel's Award" presented by the Spina Bifida Association of Minnesota, and the "Mary Switzer Award" presented by the Minnesota Rehabilitation Association; and
- WHEREAS: she was a guiding force in the founding of the Muscular Dystrophy Association Chapter in Minnesota and the Spina Bifida Association of Minnesota. She also served as president and leader of many professional groups; and
- WHEREAS: while the new Gillette Children's Hospital was being built, Jean Conklin made the kind of decisions that contributed to the building's efficiency. There are other achievements and examples of her leadership just as noteworthy; and
- WHEREAS: Jean Conklin's courageous commitment to the special needs of the handicapped and her personal philosophy that every child needs to experience success have enriched the lives of thousands of children; and
- WHEREAS: the battles she has won have not only enhanced the well-being of those children over the past 30 years, but will be reflected in patient care for many years to come; and
- WHEREAS: Jean Conklin's colleagues and friends are honoring her on Wednesday, January 25, 1978;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim that day, January 25, 1978 to be

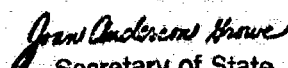
## JEAN CONKLIN DAY

in Minnesota, and join her many admirers in expressing the gratitude of the citizens of our state to this remarkable lady. Her indomitable spirit and her compassion and concern for others have set an inspiring example for all of us to follow in our daily living.

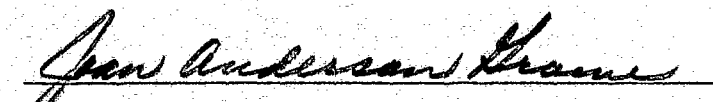
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto my hand and caused the Great Seal of State of Minnesota to be affixed at State Capitol this twenty-third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight of the State the one hundred twentieth

  
GOVERNOR

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