



State of Minnesota

Proclamation

WHEREAS: James Gordon Clark began his career in law enforcement as a Community Service Officer in 1973 and was appointed full time Eden Prairie Public Safety Officer on March 24, 1975; and

WHEREAS: Officer Clark has been an active member of the Eden Prairie Fire Department for eight years; and

WHEREAS: he consistently displays a professional attitude in the performance of his duties along with a humanitarian concern and dedication both on and off duty to his job and his community; and

WHEREAS: Officer Clark recently applied cardiopulmonary resuscitation to a collapsed victim of a heart attack, saving his life with knowledge he learned during off-duty hours; and

WHEREAS: James Clark, who devised the successful "Safety City" program which teaches safe living habits to children, spent many hours planning the child-size city, developing the narration and selling the concept to local shopping center officials who provided construction funds; and

WHEREAS: Officer Clark has proven himself to be an excellent instructor and problem solver instrumental in convincing several offenders to discontinue their criminal activities; and

WHEREAS: he developed and implemented in a local shopping center a wide variety of programs which reduced losses to retailers and resulted in clearance of over 85% of bad check cases; and

WHEREAS: on March 29, the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association is honoring James G. Clark by presenting him with the "Police Officer of the Year" award;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 29, 1978 to be

OFFICER JAMES G. CLARK DAY

in Minnesota, and extend to him my congratulations and admiration on behalf of the people of our state.

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 twenty-ninth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and of the State the one hundred twentieth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR
STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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