



Proclamation

WHEREAS: two hundred and two years ago, the men and women of the American Revolution pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor in the struggle for independence, a better system for the future; and

WHEREAS: today, we look back 202 years, not merely to take pride in our history, but to learn some practical lessons for today and tomorrow; and

WHEREAS: as we pay tribute, let us renew together our Founding Fathers' pledge to our country-- our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor, always remembering that freedom does not come free; and

WHEREAS: Congress, by a joint resolution of February 29, 1952, designated the 17th day of September of each year as Citizenship Day in commemoration of the formation and signing of the Constitution of the United States in September 1787; and

WHEREAS: by a joint resolution of August 2, 1956, Congress authorized the President to designate the period beginning September 17 and ending September 23 of each year as Constitution Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 17, 1978 to be

CITIZENSHIP DAY

and the week beginning September 17 and ending September 23, 1978 to be

CONSTITUTION WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to observe this day and week with appropriate ceremonies and activities in their schools, churches and in other suitable places in order to foster a better understanding of the Constitution and of the rights and responsibilities of American citizenship.

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 July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and of the State the one hundred twentieth.

GOVERNOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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