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during the Bicentennial Open Forum which identified over 80 landmarks as historic sites throughout the country, the citizens of Carver County discussed land-use alternatives that emphasized the importance of restoration and preservation programs;

WHEREAS: the Heritage Committee of the Carver County Historical Society was organized to provide credentials by way of sites survey research reports for state and national recognition; and

WHEREAS: the Minnesota Historical Society, choosing Carver County as a "pilot program", compiled an inventory of historic properties which nominated to the National Register of Historic Places 15 historic sites, two entire districts including 126 sites, three archaeological districts and one archaeological site; and

WHEREAS: such an impressive inventory provides the basis for the Harvest Festival celebration and tribute of thanksgiving to those emigrants who chose to develop the wilderness area into productive agricultural farming communities, many of whom left a legacy of achievement that has been recognized by the state as significant to our Nation's history; and

the former farm of Andrew Peterson, the noted horticulturalist and diarist whose records provided the basis for Vilhelm Moberg's trilogy of books, The Emigrant, Unto a Good Land and The Last Letter Home, will serve as the appropriate location for the festival to be held on September 23, 1978;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 23, 1978 to be.

CARVER COUNTY HERITAGE DAY

in Minnesota.

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 fifth day of September 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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