

Froclamation

poetry is one of mankind's oldest arts and has served man through the ages, perpetuating the experience of the past and the conviction of the value of human endurance in the

present; and

WHEREAS:

poetry provides a universal language and an inexhaustible reservoir of human perception

and understanding, aspiration and resolution of spirit; and

WHEREAS:

poetry serves the Nation as well, tying generations together through the affirmation of

national purpose and the reiteration of national goals; and

WHEREAS:

poetry is the common property of all men, enriching the life of the individual as it

forms a bond among all who share the human condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 14, 1978 to be

POETRY DAY

in Minnesota, in appreciation of the contribution that has been made by poets and poetry toward greater human understanding.

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

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