



Proclamation

WHEREAS: *it is estimated that one in seven (more than 520,000) non-institutionalized Minnesotans have functional disabilities, and many face serious vocational handicaps; and*

WHEREAS: *state and federal legislation combined with an effective Minnesota consumer movement have expanded opportunities in housing, transportation, education, jobs and for a more accessible society; and*

WHEREAS: *individuals with disabilities have shown over and over again their ability to be reliable and productive workers in every kind and level of employment; and*

WHEREAS: *currently nearly 150,000 Minnesotans with disabling conditions are employed and are generating millions of dollars in income and taxes and thereby contributing greatly to their own personal and economic independence and this state's economy;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 1 through October 7, 1978 to be

HIRE THE HANDICAPPED WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge all employers, both in the public and private sector, to consider and hire qualified handicapped individuals not only this week, but during the entire year.

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

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jan Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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