NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim January, 1979, as

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and strongly encourage all residents of Minnesota to actively support March of Dimes efforts for prevention of birth defects.

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 fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine and of the State the one hundred twenty-first.

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SECRETARY OF STATE



State of Minnesota

Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Sixty years ago, on January 22, 1918, a free and independent Ukranian National Republic was proclaimed by the will of the Ukranian people represented by the legally elected Ukranian Parliament in Kiev, ancient capital of Ukraine, which Republic was recognized by a score of foreign nations; and

WHEREAS:

After such Declaration of Independence and recognition, Ukraine was occupied by Russian military forces and since that time the former citizens of the Ukranian National Republic have been living under the oppressive rule of Communist Russia, being denied the basic freedoms which linger in their hearts; and

WHEREAS:

Their continuing struggle for freedom and independence is typical of the struggle of all freedom-loving people everywhere, and strongly emphasizes for us -- free Americans -- that the price of freedom is eternal vigilance against continuous encroachments, both at home and abroad, and especially against Communist aggression which seriously threatens the peace and security of the peoples of the world; and