

Proclamation

WHEREAS: In our grandfathers' days, American inventiveness was a topic of conversation and wonder throughout the world; and

WHEREAS: One of the first acts of the Congress of the United States was to establish the patent system under which American inventors have made outstanding contributions to the world's engineering, manufacturing and scientific projects; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota wishes to express thanks to its inventor-citizens for their contributions to the economy and welfare of this State and our Nation and to pay tribute to the United States Patent Incentive System, recalling the words of Abraham Lincoln: "The Patent System added the fuel of interest to the fire of genius.";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 11 through February 17 to be

MINNESOTA INVENTORS WEEK

and urge all citizens to reflect on the contributions in past and present days to the well-being of our state by Minnesota inventors.

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

Albert H. Quie

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