

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota's warm weather months bring with them the possibility of

tornadoes and other forms of severe weather; and

WHEREAS: Tornadoes, with their extremely high winds, can cause considerable amounts of property damage and personal injury in just a matter of

minutes; and

WHEREAS: Our state and its residents have sustained millions of dollars in property damages, countless thousands of personal injuries, and even the loss of many lives due to tornadoes; and

WHEREAS: An orderly system of watches and warnings for tornadoes and other severe weather is used in Minnesota to keep the public informed when weather conditions are conducive to these storms, or when such storms are actually sighted and threatening; and

WHEREAS: The Division of Emergency Services of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety is mounting a major campaign in 1979 to heighten public understanding of the system of watches and warnings, and of actions to be taken when a tornado does actually strike, with the goal of decreasing the threat these storms pose to our safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 6 through May 12, 1979, to be

TORNADO AWARENESS WEEK

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in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to become more aware of the threat posed by tornadoes and severe weather, and of procedures which minimize the risk of injury from these awesome storms.

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 - sixth day of April 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