

WHEREAS: Water skiing was invented at Lake Pepin in Lake City, Minnesota, by the late Ralph W. Samuelson in 1922; and . . .

WHEREAS: The popularity of this sport has grown to considerable proportions, and Minnesota's lakes and rivers provide a setting that makes our state a prominent center of water skiing activity today; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Water Ski Association will host the 1979 Midwest Regional Water Ski Championships, the nation's second largest water ski tournament, on August 3, 4, and 5 at Island Lake in Shoreview; and

WHEREAS: The tournament program is being dedicated to the late Mr. Samuelson in recognition of his many achievements and contributions as the "father" of water skiing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim August 4, 1979, to be

RALPH W. SAMUELSON DAY

in Minnesota, and wish all tournament participants an exciting and enjoyable weekend of activity.

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 eighteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine, and of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

Albert H. Quie
GOVERNOR

Jan Anderson Stone
SECRETARY OF STATE

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