WHEREAS: More than 10,000 men and women of this state are actively serving their state and nation through membership in the Minnesota Army and Air National Guard; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota National Guard and its predecessor, the State Militia, has served our people well since its founding in 1856, two years prior to statehood; and

WHEREAS: Indicative of the dedicated and selfless service provided by these Minnesotans, is the more than 6,000 mandays of emergency duty thus far performed in 1979; and

WHEREAS: Some 66 Minnesota communities benefit economically from the direct expenditure in our state of more than \$50 million in federal funds brought here annually by the Minnesota Guard;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Albert H. Quie and Lou Wangberg, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of November, 1979, to be

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in Minnesota, and encourage all citizens to give the Minnesota National Guard the respect and honor for its service to our citizens and countrymen.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this eighth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine, and of the State the one hundred twenty - second.

GOVERNOR

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