



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Cross-country skiing combines the enjoyment of physical activity with the excitement and beauty of the winter outdoors; and

WHEREAS: Cross-country skiing is a sport for all ages and is particularly suited for family participation; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota's climate and terrain are especially conducive to the sport; and

WHEREAS: Cross-country skiing has a long history stemming from its early Scandinavian days and is commemorated by "Finlandia Hiito," a 100-kilometer race held each year in Hameenlinna, Finland; and

WHEREAS: Rex Ski Wax, Excel-Silenta Poles, Peltonen Racing Skis, Kuusis Touring Skis, Aaltonen Skiing Finn Boots, Finn-Grip Bindings and Finland Vodka are sponsoring an American version of this race, March 1 and 2, Bemidji;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, hereby proclaim March 1 and 2, 1980, to be

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in Minnesota, and have asked Lieutenant Governor Lou Wangberg to prepare this proclamation for my signature and disseminate the same.

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 eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty and of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

*Albert H. Quie*

GOVERNOR

*Lou Wangberg*  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

*Jean Anderson Gloor*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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Secretary of State

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