



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES OCCUPIES THE SITE WHERE FATHER LOUIS HENNEPIN FIRST SIGHTED AND NAMED THE FALLS OF ST. ANTHONY IN 1680; AND

WHEREAS: IN 1877, THE FRENCH CANADIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF MINNEAPOLIS PURCHASED THE ORIGINAL STRUCTURE ( WHICH WAS FIRST OPENED IN 1877) AND ADDED THE TRANCEPTS, SACRISTY AND BELL TOWER; AND

WHEREAS: THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES IS THE OLDEST STANDING CHURCH IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS; AND

WHEREAS: THE BUILDING WAS DESIGNATED A U.S. HISTORICAL LANDMARK IN 1934; AND

WHEREAS: ON DECEMBER 8, 1980, THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES WILL CELEBRATE THE COMPLETION OF THE RESTORATION OF THIS HISTORICAL STRUCTURE WITH A MASS OF REDEDICATION;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1980 TO BE

OUR LADY OF LOURDES DAY

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 THIS THIS FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY, AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND.

*Albert H. Quie*  
*Jean Anderson* *Lou Wangberg*  
GOVERNOR