

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Hobart Baker is remembered and revered as a hockey legend, representing THE DEDICATION, ENTHUSIASM AND TALENT WHICH HAVE MADE HOCKEY SO POPULAR A SPORT AMONG OUR CITIZENRY; AND

WHEREAS: THE PEOPLE OF OUR NATION AND STATE RECOGNIZE THE TREMENDOUS ACCOMPLISH-MENTS OF "HOBEY" BAKER; A MEMBER OF THE PRINCETON UNIVERSITY HOCKEY TEAM FROM 1910-1914, A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES HOCKEY HALL OF FAME, AND ONE OF ONLY FOUR AMERICANS ELECTED TO CANADA'S HOCKEY HALL OF FAME; AND

WHEREAS: AMATEUR HOCKEY IS TREMENDOUSLY POPULAR IN THE UNITED STATES AND OUR CITIZENS RECOGNIZE THE MANY OUTSTANDING PLAYERS WHO MAKE THIS SPORT SUCH AS IMPORTANT PART OF AMERICAN LIFE; AND

THE HOBEY BAKER AWARD WAS OFFICIALLY ESTABLISHED IN APRIL OF 1980 TO HONOR, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, THE OUTSTANDING COLLEGIATE HOCKEY PLAYER IN THE UNITED STATES, AND TO PROMOTE COLLEGIATE HOCKEY AND ENCOURAGE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND SPORTSMANSHIP AMONG OUR YOUTH; AND

CANDIDATES FOR THE HOBEY BAKER AWARD MUST EXHIBIT STRENGTH OF CHARACTER BOTH ON AND OFF THE ICE AND SHOW DEDICATION TO THE TEAM EFFORT; AND

ON APRIL 1, 1981, THE FIRST HOBEY BAKER AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED TO NEAL BROTEN, OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA GOPHER HOCKEY TEAM, SELECTED AS OUTSTANDING PLAYER FOR THE 1980-81 COLLEGIATE HOCKEY SEASON;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1981 TO BE

HOBEY BAKER DAY

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 first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred eight and of the State the onehundred TWENTY-SECOND.

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