

Proclamation

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA IS ONE OF THE MOST AESTHETICALLY BEAUTIFUL STATES IN OUR NATION AND IS BLESSED WITH CLEAN AIR AND CLEAR WATER TO SUSTAIN ITS HEALTHY AND HEARTY PEOPLE; AND

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA HAS ABUNDANT FISH AND WILDLIFE AND IS FAMOUS FOR ITS NATURAL DIVERSITY - INCLUDING PRAIRIES, HARDWOOD AND CONIFEROUS FORESTS, LAKES, STREAMS AND RIVERS; AND

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA OFFERS A GREAT VARIETY OF RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES; SUCH AS BIKING, CANOEING, BOATING, HIKING, SNOWMOBILING, HUNTING AND FISHING, AND IS NOTED FOR ITS EXCELLENT STATE, COUNTY AND LOCAL TRAILS AND PARKS; AND

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA HAS TWO NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT WATER RESOURCES - LAKE SUPERIOR AND THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER; AND

WHEREAS: ALL OF THE ABOVE ATTRIBUTES ARE DUE TO THE FACT THAT MINNESOTA'S ENVIRONMENT IS CLEAN, AND OUR STATE HAS BEEN A LEADER IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND MAINTAINING A HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ITS CITIZENS; AND

WHEREAS: IT HAS BEEN 11 YEARS SINCE THE ORIGINAL EARTH DAY, AND SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED SINCE THAT TIME;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 23, 1981 TO BE

> ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS DAY

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME, IN RECOGNITION THAT OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IS ONE OF THE GREATEST RESOURCES FOR THE HEALTH, WELL-BEING AND PROSPERITY OF OUR CITIZENS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this twenty-second day of APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE, AND of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

GOVERNOR

Jean anderson Graine

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