

Proclamation

WHEREAS: AGRICULTURE IS MINNESOTA'S MOST BASIC INDUSTRY; AND

.HEREAS: THE ASSOCIATED PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND MARKETING SEGMENTS COLLECTIVELY PROVIDE MORE JOBS THAN ANY OTHER SINGLE INDUSTRY; AND

AHEREAS: In 1981 MORE THAN 662,000 MINNESOTANS WERE EMPLOYED IN THE FOOD AND RELATED INDUSTRIES; AND

*HEREAS: MINNESOTA'S FOOD AND FIBER INDUSTRY PROVIDES ONE-THIRD OF THE JOBS AND GENERATES ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF MINNESOTA'S GROSS ECONOMIC PRODUCTS; AND

*HEREAS: THE VALUE OF MINNESOTA'S FARM PRODUCTION LAST YEAR EXCEEDED \$7.5 BILLION WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$15 BILLION ADDED VALUE BECAUSE OF MARKETING, PROCESSING, PACKAGING, TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION; AND

*HEREAS: IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE FARMERS, CONSUMERS, AND BUSINESS LEADERS HAVE A MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE EACH ONE PLAYS IN THE MARKETING SYSTEM:

OW, THEREFORE, I. ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1982 TO BE

AGRICULTURE DAY

AND THE WEEK OF MARCH 15 THROUGH MARCH 22, 1982 TO BE

AGRICULTURE WEEK

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME, FURTHER, I URGE CITIZENS TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPORTANCE OF AGRICULTURE TO THE ECONOMY OF OUR STATE.

IN WITNESS WHEREUF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS SIXTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO, AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD.

STATE OF MINITESTATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

FEB 16 1982

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Secretary of State

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE