



Proclamation

WHEREAS: THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS OF 1782 ADOPTED THE BALD EAGLE AS THE CENTRAL FIGURE OF THE GREAT SEAL OF THE UNITED STATES; AND

WHEREAS: THE BALD EAGLE HAS SERVED AS A SYMBOL OF POWER, COURAGE, AND FREEDOM THROUGHOUT THE HISTORY OF OUR NATION; AND

WHEREAS: THE BALD EAGLE ALSO SERVES AS A SYMBOL OF OUR RICH WILDLIFE HERITAGE AND PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE AS A PREDATOR IN ITS NATURAL HABITAT; AND

WHEREAS: THE BALD EAGLE CURRENTLY FACES THREATS FROM HABITAT DESTRUCTION, ILLEGAL SHOOTING, AND POISONING FROM LEAD SHOT; AND

WHEREAS: ON THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BALD EAGLE AS OUR NATIONAL SYMBOL THIS POWERFUL BIRD OF PREY IS CONSIDERED THREATENED OR ENDANGERED IN IN 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES; AND

WHEREAS: DUE TO CONCERTED EFFORTS BY CONSERVATIONISTS AND A STRONG NATIONAL DESIRE TO SAVE THE BALD EAGLE FROM EXTINCTION, ITS POPULATION IS BEGINNING TO RECOVER; AND

WHEREAS: THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION HAS PROCLAIMED 1982 AS "YEAR OF THE EAGLE" TO CELEBRATE THE BICENTENNIAL OF OUR NATIONAL SYMBOL AND FOCUS ATTENTION ON THE NEEDS OF ALL WILDLIFE;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MARCH 14 THROUGH MARCH 20, 1982 TO BE

NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I URGE ONE AND ALL TO UNITE IN SUPPORT OF EVERY ACTIVITY THAT WILL HELP PROTECT EAGLES AND THUS STRONGLY AFFIRM THAT "WE CARE ABOUT EAGLES."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS SEVENTEENTH 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.

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