

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA'S HERITAGE REPRESENTS A PIONEER SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE: AND

WHEREAS: A GROUP OF ALUMNI FROM CONCORDIA COLLEGE, MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA WILLS ATTEMPT TO CROSS-COUNTRY SKI OVER 500 MILES ACROSS LAPPLAND THEOLOGY FINLAND, SWEDEN AND NORWAY; AND

WHEREAS: In this Nordic tradition, Minnesota men and women will rediscover the spirit of the Vikings, who entered the unknown boldly with faith in the promise of the journey; and

WHEREAS: Scientific and Educational Research will be carried out in connection with Mankato State University, Moorhead State University, the University of Minnesota, and Concordia College; and

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA HAS MADE A MAJOR COMMITMENT TOWARDS ENHANCING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND LIFESTYLE OF THE DISABLED THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE VINLAND NATIONAL CENTER, AND THIS COMMITMENT IS REFLECTED IN THE PARTICIPATION OF TWO BLIND SKIERS ON THE LAPPLAND EXPEDITION; AND

WHEREAS: This Minnesota group of adventurers will be the first Americans to ski across the breadth of ethnic Lappland;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE. GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 27, 1982 TO APRIL 24, 1982 TO BE

1982 MINNESOTA LAPPLAND EXPEDITION DAYS

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 JOIN IN THIS OBSERVANCE AND EXPRESS THEIR RECOGNITION OF "THE 1982 MINNESOTA LAPPLAND EXPEDITION" AND ITS FOCUS ON THE STATE'S SCANDINAVIAN HERITAGE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this twenty-sixth 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 MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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