

Proclamation

WHEREAS: THE BALD EAGLE IS ADMIRED AS ONE OF NATURE'S MOST SPECTACULAR CREATURES, WITH ITS GRACE AND POWER IN FLIGHT, ITS VIGILANCE AND LOYALTY IN DEFENDING ITS FAMILY GROUP, AND, MOST OF ALL, ITS COURAGE MAKING THE EAGLE A PROUD AND APPROPRIATE SYMBOL FOR THE UNITED STATES; AND

WHEREAS: On June 20, 1782, the bald eagle became our Nation's symbol and national bird with its original United States population believed to have approached 75,000-100,000; and

WHEREAS: THE BALD EAGLE PROTECTION ACT AND THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, ALONG WITH THE COOPERATIVE EFFORTS OF FEDERAL AND STATE FISH AND WILDLIFE AGENCIES, CONSERVATION AND INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, SCIENTISTS, AND PRIVATE CITIZENS ARE AIMED AT PREVENTING THE DISHEARTENING POSSIBILITY OF EXTINCTION OF THE BALD EAGLE WITH SCIENTISTS BEGINNING TO SEE A SUBTLE BUT DEFINITE POPULATION INCREASE IN THE NUMBERS OF BALD EAGLES; AND

WHEREAS: As we approach the bicentennial anniversary of the bald eagle becoming our Nation's symbol, it is appropriate that we pause and reflect upon the importance of the bald eagle, indeed of all our fish and wildlife resources, to a healthy America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I. ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO-HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE 20, 1982 TO BE

NATIONAL BALD EAGLE DAY

AND THE YEAR 1982 TO BE

BICENTENNIAL YEAR OF THE AMERICAN BALD EAGLE

IN 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 TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF APRIL 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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