



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: TRAFFIC DEATHS CAUSE MORE VIOLENT DEATHS IN MINNESOTA THAN ANY OTHER CAUSE, AS WELL AS, HUNDREDS OF SERIOUS INJURIES EVERY YEAR; AND

WHEREAS: BETWEEN 40-55 PERCENT OF DRIVERS WHO ARE FATALLY INJURED HAVE ALCOHOL CONCENTRATIONS IN THEIR BLOOD ABOVE THE LEGAL LIMIT AND THIS FIGURE RISES TO 55-65 PERCENT IN SINGLE VEHICLE CRASHES; AND

WHEREAS: THE TOTAL SOCIETAL COST OF DRUNK DRIVING IS ESTIMATED AT OVER \$5 BILLION A YEAR FOR THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES AND AT \$400 MILLION A YEAR FOR MINNESOTA, WHICH DOES NOT INCLUDE THE HUMAN SUFFERING THAT CAN NEVER BE ADEQUATELY MEASURED; AND

WHEREAS: AN INCREASE IN THE AWARENESS OF THE PROBLEM OF DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING MAY HELP TO SUSTAIN CURRENT EFFORTS TO DEVELOP COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTIONS AT THE STATE AND LOCAL LEVELS; AND

WHEREAS: THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS HOLIDAY PERIOD, WITH MORE DRIVERS ON THE ROADS AND AN INCREASED NUMBER OF SOCIAL FUNCTIONS, IS A PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE TIME TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON THIS CRITICAL PROBLEM;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12 THROUGH 18, 1982 TO BE

**DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING AWARENESS WEEK**

IN MINNESOTA, AND CALL UPON THE PEOPLE OF MINNESOTA TO RECOGNIZE AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS OBSERVANCE WITH APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES.

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

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