

Proclamation

WHEREAS: WE IN AMERICA ARE BEGINNING THE THIRD CENTURY OF THIS NATION, AND WE CAN SEEK NO GREATER OR MORE RELIABLE GUIDANCE THAN KNOWLEDGE OF OUR COUNTRY'S PAST; AND

WHEREAS: OUR HISTORY, WHICH HAS AMAZED MEN FOR MORE THAN 200 YEARS, IS A RECORD OF PEOPLE OFTEN PERSECUTED AND DENIED, WHO FOUGHT FOR THE FREEDOM IN WHICH THEY BELIEVED; AND

WHEREAS: THE FREEDOMS THEY WON ARE STILL BESET BY DANGERS, AND TO SUCCESSFULLY DEFEND THEM WE NEED THE INSPIRATION OF OUR FOUNDING FATHERS AND AN APPRECIATION OF THEIR SACRIFICE; AND

WHEREAS: THE EXPERIENCE OF THOSE WHO HAVE LIVED BEFORE US IS IMPORTANT TO THE SUCCESS OF EVERY ENDEAVOR AND PURPOSE WE UNDERTAKE; AND

WHEREAS: WE MUST RELY TO A GREAT EXTENT ON THE LESSONS OF HISTORY WHETHER OUR GOAL IS TO INSTRUCT OR ENTERTAIN, TO INCREASE NEEDED PRODUCTION OR FACILITATE COMMERCE, TO BUILD CITIES OR GOVERN OTHERS, TO EXPLORE UNCHARTED SPACE OR ESTABLISH A FAMILY;

NOW, THEREFORE, I RUDY PERPICH, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY, 1983 TO BE

AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

IN MINNESOTA. FURTHER, I URGE TEACHERS TO PROMOTE THE STUDY OF AMERICAN HISTORY AND INSTILL IN OUR YOUNG PEOPLE A HIGH REGARD FOR THE GREAT MEN AND WOMEN IN OUR NATION'S PAST.

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OF MINNESS . IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS NINETEENTH DAY OF JANUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE, AND OF THE STATE THE QUE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH.