



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota's history is rich with aviation pioneers and heroes; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is nationally known for its excellent aviation system; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is the home of high technology and aerospace industries; and

WHEREAS: The Montgolfier balloon lifted men from the earth's surface; Wilbur and Orville Wright achieved sustained powered flight; Charles Lindberg opened the skies to transatlantic flight; and Alan Shepard's entry into space and Neil Armstrong's footprint on the moon have enabled all Americans to share in the wonder of man's travel into the earth's galaxy; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota will host the first aeronautical event of the Bicentennial Celebration of Man's First Flight as a commemoration of all the heroic personal and technical achievements of conquering the air, and thereby expanding the boundaries of civilization;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim January, 1983 as the kick-off month for the

BICENTENNIAL OF MAN'S FIRST FLIGHT

in Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this nineteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three, and of the State the one hundred twenty-fifth.

Handwritten signature of Rudy Perpich in black ink.

GOVERNOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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JAN 20 1983

Handwritten signature of Joan Anderson Young in black ink.
SECRETARY OF STATE

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