



## Proclamation

- WHEREAS: "Vocational Agriculture - Educating Through Experience" is the 1983 theme of the Future Farmers of America; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota's agricultural industry provides employment for 444,000 of the 1.7 million citizens in the state's labor force and generates \$4.9 billion of income; and
- WHEREAS: There is an ever increasing need for well educated technicians, professional agriculturalists, entrepreneurs and leaders to service the agricultural industry; and
- WHEREAS: Programs of Vocational Agricultural Education in 270 public high schools in Minnesota contribute to the education, training and motivation of future leaders in agriculture and agribusiness; and
- WHEREAS: The Future Farmers of America, an integral part of the agricultural education process, challenges members to learn, to do, to earn, and to serve; and
- WHEREAS: Michael Arends, Willmar, David Pace, Madelia, and Andrew Voxland, Kenyon National Proficiency Award winners in Agricultural Mechanics, Swine Production and Diversified Livestock Production and the Pipestone and LeRoy-Ostrander Chapter National Champions in the Farm Business Management and Agricultural Mechanics Contests, have demonstrated mastery of the competencies developed in their vocational agriculture/agribusiness education programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 19 through February 26, 1983 to be

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in Minnesota. Further, I urge citizens to be aware of the many constructive contributions F.F.A. has made in expanding the education of its members and the education of Minnesota citizens.

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.

OF MINNESOTA GOVERNOR  
PARTMENT OF STATE  
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SECRETARY OF STATE

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