

Proclamation

WHEREAS: October 6, 1983 is the three hundredth anniversary of German settlement in America at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS: Such date marks the beginning of the immeasurable human, economic, political, social, and cultural contributions to this country by millions of German immigrants over the past threcenturies; and

WHEREAS: Today the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany continue their closure of friendship based on the common values of democracy, guaranteed individual liberties, tolerance of personal differences, and opposition to totalitarianism; and

WHEREAS: It is fitting that this historic event be commemorated in such a manner as to celebrate German-American friendship and to focus on the democratic values that bind us together;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the period commencing January 1, 1983, and ending December 31, 1983, as

TRICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY YEAR OF GERMAN SETTLEMENT IN AMERICA

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 twenty-fourth 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.

OVERNOR

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