

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: The people of the State of Minnesota and the Norwegian people share a multitude of cultural, social and historical traditions; and

WHEREAS: As representatives of the Government and the people of Norway, the Norwegian Home Guard's contingent now in Minnesota for training with this State's National Guard symbolizes the common bonds and traditions that continue to link us together; and

WHEREAS: A similar contingent of Minnesota Guard members is now training at Camp Torpo, Norway, in this Tenth Anniversary year of an exchange between the Guard forces of our respective governments; and

WHEREAS: This continuing exchange program has enhanced not only the military capabilities of both the Minnesota National Guard and the Norwegian Home Guard, but has also enhanced the personal relations between the people of these two NATO allies; and

WHEREAS: This program has been heralded as the first and most successful training/troop exchanges in the entire U.S. Army since its beginnings in 1974; and

WHEREAS: This State is extremely proud to host so productive and worthwhile an international happening;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the period of February 18 through March 1, 1983, to be

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in Minnesota, and call upon all citizens of our State to welcome and honor these young men and women of Norway.

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

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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