

## **Proclamation**

- WHEREAS: The people of Minnesota believe in being involved in responsible and meaningful volunteer work to help others achieve a better life; and
- WHEREAS: Many of today's complex challenges can be met by the increased involvement of volunteers, who, because of the diversity of their backgrounds, are able to bring with them new and fresh ideas for solving problems; and
- WHEREAS: Volunteerism is increasingly recognized for its potential role in extending services and programs; and
- WHEREAS: Our communities, our state and our nation have been strengthened through the dedicated involvement of volunteers in all aspects of our society; and
- WHEREAS: Volunteers, having clearly demonstrated a commitment for the well-being of others, provide assurance for the future quality of life in Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Individuals from business, labor, government and community organizations are volunteering for Minnesota by coming together in partnerships to work cooperatively to find innovative solutions to community problems; and
- WHEREAS: We urge all Minnesotans to come together in the spirit of cooperation and experience the fulfillment of meeting the challenge of solving tomorrow's problems today;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 17 through April 23, 1983, to be

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in Minnesota, and express appreciation on behalf of all our citizens to those selfless efforts and resources expended by Minnesota's many volunteers.

FURTHERMORE, I COMMEND the volunteers of Minnesota for their dedication and services: SEEK the expansion and increased effectiveness of programs in which volunteers are active; URGE the involvement of volunteers, wherever appropriate, in the programs of state agencies, local government, private nonprofit agencies and other private service organizations; and CALL on all our citizens thelp renew and sustain spirit and vitality of our communities and our state by volunteering.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set n hand and caused the Great Seal of the Sta of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundre and eighty-three, and of the State the or handred wenty fifth.

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