



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Galtier Plaza begins its promise of benefits to the City of St. Paul in a unique mixed-use development offering housing, office, retail and entertainment opportunities to all residents of the city; we stop to honor the pioneer French priest who named the City of St. Paul; and
- WHEREAS: Father Lucian Galtier became the first permanently assigned Catholic priest to minister to the soldiers and settlers around Fort Snelling; and
- WHEREAS: He dedicated himself to the spiritual and social needs of our pioneer forefathers, relinquishing all comforts and living a life of hard trials and suffering; and
- WHEREAS: His insight in choosing a location for the church, where steamboats could stop and the river could be easily crossed, led to increased trade and fast growth of the city; and
- WHEREAS: The nucleus of St. Paul was formed when Galtier dedicated his church to the great apostle St. Paul, whose motto was "When I am weak, then I am powerful"; and
- WHEREAS: Father Galtier opposed an early effort made to change the name of St. Paul by writing for Prairie du Chien, where he was reassigned after his work in St. Paul; and
- WHEREAS: On March 16, 1983, on the occasion of the official beginning of Galtier Plaza, an event will be held in honor of his important contributions to this historic site;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 16, 1983, to be

FATHER LUCIAN GALTIER DAY

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 fifteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three, and of the State the one hundred twenty-fifth.

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