

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota Working Women has declared April 24-30, 1983 "National Secretaries Week in Minnesota"; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota Working Women is affiliated with 9to5, National Association of Working Women, an organization of over 10,000 office workers in the United States striving to highlight the problems, misconceptions and discrimination which working women face each day; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota Working Women and 9to5 have adopted a "Working Women's Agenda" focusing on issues such as discrimination in the workplace, the effects of office automation on working women, improved economic security for older women office workers, safe working conditions, efforts to close the wage gap between men and women and support for policies to ease the burden of the working family; and

WHEREAS: The Federal Commission of Civil Rights has reported that "Women are still far more likely than white men to be over-qualified and over-educated for their jobs, to be unemployed are to be segregated into jobs regarded as 'women's work'"; and

WHEREAS: Women are no longer working only to supplement incomes brought in by their husbands, as one out of every six working women are heads of households; and

WHEREAS: Women on the average earn 59¢ for full-time work compared to the \$1.00 earned by men; and

WHEREAS: About 33 percent of all employed women in Minnesota work in clerical positions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 24 through April 30, 1983, to be

NATIONAL SECRETARIES WEEK

in Minnesota.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Star of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this twenty-third 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.

GOVERNOR

Joan Undersi & Maire