



Proclamation

WHEREAS: In 1952, Congress, with the National Day of Prayer Committee, instituted the annual observance of National Prayer Day in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Interest in such a project was no doubt inspired by a proclamation written in 1863 by Abraham Lincoln, which declared April 30th a national day of humiliation, fasting and prayer; and

WHEREAS: For over thirty years now, concerned citizens and civic leaders have organized a day in spring when Americans are asked to bow their heads in humility and thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS: This year, all over the country, activity will grind to a halt at noon on May 5th, when citizens will "Take 5 at 12", that is, for five minutes at the beginning of the noon hour, people from all walks of life will apuse in prayer for their nation and their fellow man; and

WHEREAS: National Prayer Day officials hope that this five minute break from the day's schedule will have a revitalizing and spiritually awakening impact on our people and our nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 5, 1983 to be

DAY OF PRAYER

in Minnesota.

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Joan Anderson
Secretary of State

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

Joan Anderson
Secretary of State

Rudy Perpich
Governor