

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: The health of over 250,000 veterans and their children may have been adversely affected as a result of the U.S. detonation of nuclear weapons between 1945

and 1962; and

The National Association of Atomic Veterans seeks to locate and help these veterans and their genetically affected shildren in obtaining medical treatment and assistance; and

By engaging in a national search and education effort for Atomic Veterans, NAAV is promoting early detection of medical problems, and research and documentation of the connection between radiation exposure and resultant cancer, other debilitating and degenerative diseases, and genetic mutations in offsprings; and

WHEREAS: The 38th anniversary of "Trinity", the first atomic weapon detonation, which took place at Alamogordo AFB, New Mexico, is on July 16th;

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

ATOMIC VETERANS

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESUI. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MAY 2 5 1983 Joan anderson spore Secretary of State

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set mi hand and caused the Great Seal of the Sta of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this second day of June in the yel of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three, and of the State the one hu twenty-fifth.