



Proclamation

WHEREAS: One year ago, Robert Asp's Viking Ship, Hjemkomst, sailed successfully into port at Bergen, Norway, completing its voyage across the Atlantic; and

WHEREAS: The significance and grandeur of its arrival far surpassed anything the ship's builder had ever imagined; and

WHEREAS: The voyage of the Hjemkomst captured the hearts and imagination of the residents of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: The voyage of the Hjemkomst demonstrates conclusively that there are no limits to the width and breadth of the human imagination and its capacity for accomplishment; and

WHEREAS: The Hjemkomst symbolizes the hopes and dreams of our pioneer ancestors, and represents every individual in Minnesota who has ever dared to accomplish something that on the face seemed impossible; and

WHEREAS: The Hjemkomst will forever stand in an Interpretive Center at Moorhead as a monument to all who have gone before us, and as a beacon to future generations challenging them to reach beyond themselves to create a world of peace and understanding, challenging them to "Dare to Dream,";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, July 20, 1983, during the Minneapolis Aquatennial, to be

H J E M K O M S T D A Y

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Joan Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

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Rudy Perpich
Joan Anderson Howe

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 eleventh day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three and of the State the one hundred and twenty