



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The International Year of Disabled Persons -- in furthering the "full participation" in the national and community lives of 600,000 Minnesotans with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: This new momentum has drawn upon the initiative and resources of individuals and organizations in all sectors of our society working in partnership with disabled persons; and

WHEREAS: These partnerships have contributed substantially to progress in improving the lives of disabled Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS: Further action is required to increase public understanding of the still unmet needs of disabled Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota must continue and accelerate progress toward the long-term goals of and for disabled Minnesotans furthered during the International Year of Disabled Persons, through expanded educational opportunity; improved access to housing, buildings and transportation; greater opportunity for employment; greater participation in recreation, social and cultural activities; expanded and strengthened Rehabilitation Programs and Facilities; purposeful application of Biomedical Research aimed at conquering major disabling conditions; reduction of the incidence of disability through accident and disease prevention; increased application of technology to ameliorate the effects of disability; expanded international exchange of information and experience to benefit all disabled persons;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim 1983-1992 to be

DECADE OF DISABLED PERSONS

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

FILED

AUG 5 1983

Joan Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

in Minnesota.

FURTHER, I call upon all citizens of Minnesota to observe this decade through continuing support of the above long-term, nine-point program promoted during the International Year of Disabled Persons

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 fifth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and