

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Ir., was a gospel preacher and pastor who courageously and lovingly carried the standard of social justice, moral excellence and human perfectability; and

WHEREAS: His leadership and doctrine of non-violence was the fountinhead that tapped the wellsprings of American conscience, social action, and human decency; and

WHEREAS: He raised a resounding voice proclaiming the poor would not be oppressed and was a catalyst to this nation's war on poverty; and

WHEREAS: He was a staunch supporter of the rights of women, the elderly, the handicapped, and a tireless advocate of equal rights, declaring a person should not be judged by the color of their skin; and

WHEREAS: The martyrom of this great theologian, scholar, and leader has left a legacy of love, tolerance and moral courage;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturdays, August 13 and August 27, 1983, to be

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SATURDAYS

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in Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and caused the Great Seal of the St of Minnesota to be affixed at the State this first day of August in the year of Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight