



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Black Minnesotans and Black Americans have made major contributions to the advancement of aviation in Minnesota, America, and the World; and
- WHEREAS: Black Minnesotans, through aviation, have made major and significant contributions in the defense of America; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is proud to have a nationally recognized exhibition, Black Wings: The American Black in Aviation, an exhibition depicting the contributions and achievement of Blacks in the field of aviation on display in the Science Museum of Minnesota from September 10, 1983 through November 27, 1983; and
- WHEREAS: As a part of the special recognition of Black achievement in aviation, Minnesota is proud to welcome Lt. Col. Guion S. Bluford, Jr., a distinguished member of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the first black astronaut in space;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, October 7, 1983, to be

BLACK AVIATION DAY

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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Secretary of State

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FRUTHER, I call upon our citizens to extend our sincere appreciation to the organizers of this outstanding contribution to American aviation.

Rudy Perpich
Jan 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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three.