

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Dr. Paul Yoder is known internationally as America's roving ambassador for band music; and

WHEREAS: He is one of America's most prolific band music composers and arrangers with over 1,400 musical compositions in print with almost 100 publishers; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Voder had his first professional experience after graduation from the University of North Dakota in 1930 with the Rochester Park Band of Rochester, Minnesota under the great Harold Cooke during the summer of 1930; and has kept his contacts with Minnesota, by guest directing in Minnesota at such events as the Schmitt Music Clinic in Minneapolis over the years; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Paul Yoder is celebrating his fiftieth year of published music and his 75th birthday this year; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Paul Yoder has recognized the historical significance of preserving America's musical heritage, by serving on the international board of advisors to the Chatfield Brass Band Free Music Lending Library located in our State at Chatfield, Minnesota, the only free music lending library in the world today; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Paul Yoder has given freely of his time for the advancement of band music as is evidenced by his coming to Chatfield, Minnesota to rehearse the Chosen Valley High School Band on Wednesday morning October 12, 1983, and to guest direct 10 of his own musical compositions with the Chatfield Brass Band in Chatfield, in Potter Auditorium on Wednesday night October 12, 1983, in a free concert; and

WHEREAS: Dr. Paul Yoder has left his indelible musical mark upon almost every band musician in the State of Minnesota and this nation because of his lifetime interest in music and its merriment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday October 12, 1983, to be

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FURTHER, I urge all our citizens to welcome Dr. Paul Yoder and to attend his concert which spans 50 years of our musical history as written by Paul Yoder.