



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Hospice philosophy -- to provide support and care for persons in the last phases of disease, so they can live more fully and comfortably -- is an important and unique one; and

WHEREAS: Beginning in 1974, Hospices have been founded throughout the United States, and thirty-five states, now have these special care programs, while other states are working toward providing such care; and

WHEREAS: Hospice staff members continue to refine their skills, to help patients and their families deal with such issues as pain relief, ethical concerns, grief, and monetary considerations; and

WHEREAS: The Hospice concept affirms life and regards dying as a normal process, thereby patients and families to face and prepare for this transition; and

WHEREAS: The National Hospice Organization, with which many Hospices throughout the nation affiliated, is to be commended for its efforts to continue to promote and improve this essential care program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 30 through November 5, 1983, to be

MINNESOTA HOSPICE WEEK

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in Minnesota, and thank everyone involved with the Hospices in this State and nation.

Rudy Perpich
Joan Anderson

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol, this 28th day of October, 1983.