



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Since 1926, Black History Month has been observed in the United States, making this years observance the fifty-eighth; and

WHEREAS: This national event was founded by Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, to provide a deeper understanding and knowledge of the diverse contributions of Black Americans to American culture; and

WHEREAS: The Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History has perpetuated this important month, and continues to collect, research and disseminate information about Black Americans, most notably through their publication of The Journal of Negro History, The Negro History Bulletin, and other periodicals; and

WHEREAS: The theme "Black Americans and the Struggle for Excellence in Education" is a most appropriate one in this year when education in the United States is at the forefront of the nation's thought;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of February 1984, to be

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
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NATIONAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Joan Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

in Minnesota.

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Rudy Perpich

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 twelfth day of January in the year Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four and of the State the one hundred twenty

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