

## Proclamation

REAS: An increased interest and awareness of matters related to ethnicity is noted throughout the United States and especially in the State of Minnesota; and

REAS: A significant number of residents of Minnesota are of Finnish descent; and

REAS: Second and succeeding generations of Finnish descent are in need of and desire a means to become familiar with the Finnish language, customs, and culture; and

REAS: The Salolampi Finnish Village, located in Northern Minnesota as a part of the Concordia College International Village program, has prominently established itself as an excellent means of providing needed opportunities for youth to learn the Finnish language and to become aware of and to develop and interest in ethnicity, the Finnish language, and the heritage, culture, and customs of Finland; and

REAS: There is a need for public awareness of the opportunities available at the Salolampi Finnish Village:

7, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week arch 11 through March 17, 1984, to be

SALOLAMPI WEEK

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILED FEB 1 5 1984 from Andrew Angus Secretary of State

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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 twenty-second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four, and of the State the one hundred twenty-sixth.

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