



## Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The discovery of America in 1492 was made possible through support from Queen Isabella (1451-1504) of Castile, wife of Ferdinand of Aragon; and
- WHEREAS: America's discovery should have been the landmark by which the Epoch of Modern History should have started, not the Fall of Constantinople; and
- WHEREAS: It is especially fitting and proper as we get ever closer to 1992, the 500th anniversary of the discovery of America, to have our citizens observe the memory of Queen Isabella whose daring vision and fervent support of explorers' dreams made the discovery of America possible; and
- WHEREAS: The colonizing of this country and the winning of its independence could have been delayed for many years without Queen Isabella's initiative and foresight; and
- WHEREAS: The greatness of Queen Isabella paved the way for immigrants from all over the world who came to build a new nation; and
- WHEREAS: Said explorations gave Spain a vast empire, Isabella did not treat the New World with greed or neglect. Many times she expressed concern with the plight of the American natives. When Indians were brought back to Spain as slaves, Isabella ordered them freed; and
- WHEREAS: The history of America is tied to the history of Spain and its illustrious Queen, and the common bonds of friendship, tradition, dignity and individual freedom have long joined the people of the United States and the people of Spain; and
- WHEREAS: April 22, 1984, marks both the 533rd birthday of Queen Isabella and Easter Sunday;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, April 21, 1984, to be

QUEEN-ISABELLA DAY

in Minnesota, and urge our citizens to observe this occasion.

*Rudy Perpich*

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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*Jean Anderson Howe*  
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-eighth 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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