



Proclamation

HEREAS: Trees were a significant attraction to Minnesota's settlers because of their usefulness and the beautiful environment they provided; and

HEREAS: Trees are a most valuable resource in Minnesota today, purifying our air and water, helping conserve our soil and energy, serving as recreational settings, providing habitat for wildlife of all kinds, and enriching our lives in so many important ways; and

HEREAS: Disease, insects, and pollutants have damaged and continued to threaten our trees, creating the need for reforestation programs and concerted public action toward ensuring the future of our state's urban and rural forest resources; and

HEREAS: Each year, on the last Friday of April - Arbor Day - the people of Minnesota pay special attention to the wonderful gift that our trees represent and dedicate themselves to the continued health of our state's stock of trees;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 27, 1984, to be

A R B O R D A Y

and the month of May, 1984, to be

A R B O R M O N T H

Minnesota.

FURTHER, I urge citizens to become more aware of the importance of trees to the well-being of our state, and to participate in tree planting programs which will ensure a green Minnesota in the decades to come.

Jean Anderson Howe
Rudy Perpich

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 seventeenth day of April 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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John Andrew Brown
Secretary of State