



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Once numbering more than half a million, the Jewish community of Ethiopia has been shrunk by systematic persecution, famine and disease to a population of between 14,000 - 17,000; and

WHEREAS: Ethiopia is one of the countries hardest hit by an African-wide famine and it is torn apart by civil war, with emigration forbidden and Ethiopian Jews facing extinction; and

WHEREAS: We affirm the need for ongoing rescue efforts of refugees and for the continuing need to work toward reunification of families still in Ethiopia with their kin in Israel; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of June 24 through July 1, 1984, to be

INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF SOLIDARITY WITH ETHIOPIAN JEWS

in Minnesota.

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 eighteenth day of June in the year of one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

James Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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