



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The history of America and Spain are interwoven. The common bonds of friendship, tradition, dignity and individual freedom have joined the people of the United States and the people of Spain since the time of its illustrious Queen Isabella of Castile (1451-1504), whose vision and support of explorers, prompted the discovery of America by Spain, in 1492. Without her initiative and foresight, the colonization of this country and its independence would have been delayed many years; and

WHEREAS: Queen Isabella's pioneering spirit paved the way for immigrants from all over the world who came to this country to build a new nation. Queen Isabella was concerned for the welfare of her subjects in the new world, and she was concerned for the welfare of native American Indians whom she freed when they were brought back to Spain as slaves; and

WHEREAS: Queen Isabella altered the nature of men's thinking, turning their sight from the Crusades in the East toward the west and new conquests. Men of action and enterprise replaced men of birth as leaders in deeds and thought; and

WHEREAS: The intuition, foresight, and courage of this great heroine led to the discovery of our nation, celebrating Queen Isabella Day allows the nation to reflect on what a vital role women have played in the world of finance; and

WHEREAS: Monday, April 22, 1985, marks the 534th birthday of Queen Isabella;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, April 22, 1985, to be

QUEEN ISABELLA DAY

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

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-seventh day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Joan Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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