



Proclamation

WHEREAS: September 14th marks the one hundred seventy-first anniversary of the Defense of Baltimore, by the soldiers who defended Ft. McHenry and turned the advancing British troops back as the foe stormed the area of east Baltimore; and

WHEREAS: That battle was a sterling example of American determination to defend their Country and their Freedom; and

WHEREAS: That battle inspired Francis Scott Key to compose the Star-Spangled Banner, which later became our National Anthem; and

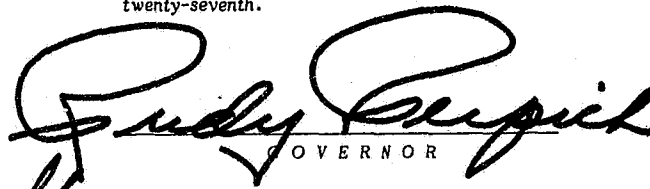
WHEREAS: It is meet and salutary for Minnesotans today to recall the courage and patriotism of their forefathers who upheld these principles and to emulate the same;

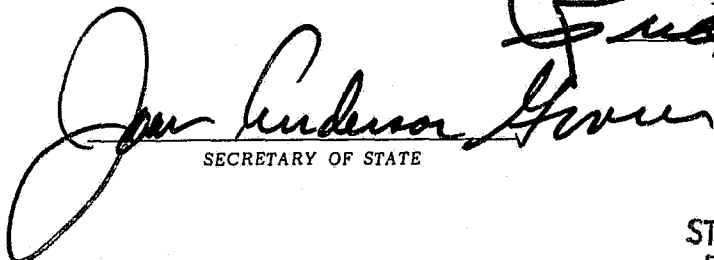
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, September 14, 1985, to be

Defenders Day

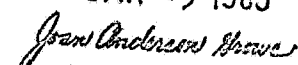
in Minnesota, and I call upon all Minnesotans to mark this day with appropriate ceremonies and observances.

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 thirtieth 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.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE

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