



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Recreational boating is a popular and enjoyable pastime in Minnesota with over 625,000 registered watercraft; and

WHEREAS: It's estimated that a third of all boating accidents involve the use of alcohol; and

WHEREAS: Alcohol and boat operation are a dangerous combination; and

WHEREAS: The safe use of Minnesota's lakes and rivers by boaters and anglers has long been an important goal of the State and other agencies; and

WHEREAS: Boating safety organizations such as the Department of Natural Resources, county sheriffs, the United States Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary, United State Power Squadrons and the American Red Cross are all emphasizing the problems of alcohol and boating in their respective programs during 1985;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of June 2 through June 8, 1985, to be

## Safe Boating Week

in Minnesota, and urge Minnesota boaters to think before they drink.

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

*Jean Anderson Howe*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

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