

## **Proclamation**

The 1984 theme of the Future Farmers of America organization is "Keep Agriculature #1 - Support FFA and Vocational Agriculture"; and WHEREAS:

WHEREAS: Agriculture is Minnesota's number one industry; and

WHEREAS:  $A \textit{griculture utilizes a high degree of scientific and technological knowledge; and \\$ 

WHEREAS: Highly qualified men and women are needed to ensure the continued productivity of

Agriculture; and

WHEREAS: There is a shortage of qualified Agricultural personnel for the industry; and

Vocational Agriculture/Agribusiness Education programs in two hundred seventy-five Minnesota High Schools provide opportunities for students to develop a foundation in the basic and higher order skills, as well as competence and proficiency in Agricultural science, technology, financial management, entrepreneurship; and WHEREAS:

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Activities of the Future Farmers of America are designed to aid students in developing leadership, promote good citizenship, inspire patriotism, teach members to work cooperatively and harmoniously with others, as well as other societal and life skills;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 16 through February 23, 1985, to be

FFIN Week

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to "Keep Agriculture #1 - Support FFA and Vocational

FURTHER, I urge citizens to be aware of the many constructive contributions Vocational Agricultural Education has made in expanding the education of its members, and the education of Minnesota citizens.

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

GOVERNOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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