

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: An increased interest and awareness of matters related to ethnicity is noted

throughout the United States and especially in the State of Minnesota: and

WHEREAS: A significant number of residents of Minnesota are of Finnish descent; and

WHEREAS: Second and succeeding generations of Finnish descent are in need of and desire

a means to become familiar with the Finnish language, customs, and culture; and

WHEREAS: The Salolampi Finnish Village, located in Northern Minnesota as a part of the Concordia College International Village program, has prominently established

itself as an excellent means of providing needed opportunities for youth to learn the Finnish language and to become aware of and to develop and interest in ethnicity,

the Finnish language, and the heritage, culture, and customs of Finland; and

There is a need for public awareness of the opportunities available at the Salolampi WHEREAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 10 through March 16, 1985, to be

Salolarripi Week

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 Capital this seventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, and of the State the one hundred

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