



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The people of the State of Minnesota and the Norwegian people share a multitude of cultural, social and historical traditions; and

WHEREAS: As representatives of the Government and the people of Norway, this, the largest contingent of Norwegian Home Guard troops in Minnesota, ever, training with this State's National Guard symbolizes the common bonds and traditions that continue to link us together; and

WHEREAS: A similar contingent of Minnesota Guard members and those of nine other states now training at Camp Torpo, Norway, in this twelfth year of an exchange between the Guard forces of our respective governments; and

WHEREAS: This annual exchange program has not only enhanced the military capabilities of both the Minnesota National Guard and the Norwegian Home Guard, but has also the personal relations between these two NATO allies; and

WHEREAS: This program has been heralded as the first and the most successful of troop training exchanges in the entire U.S. Army since its beginnings in 1974; and

WHEREAS: This State is proud to host such a productive and gainful international experience;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the period of February 23 through March 5, 1985, to be

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in Minnesota, and call upon all citizens of our great State to welcome and honor these fine young men and women of Norway.

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 thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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