

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Incendiary fires in the state of Minnesota killed 18 people, causing nearly \$1,000,000

damage in 700 fires during 1984; and

WHEREAS: Incendiary fires present a distinct threat to the life and safety of Minnesota's

citizens; and

WHEREAS: An incendiary fire was responsible for the deaths of two Sauk Centre volunteer

firefighters; and

WHEREAS: Incendiary fires cause extensive damage each year to Minnesota's forest and grasslands;

and

WHEREAS: Incendiary fires are set for economic gain of white collar criminals; and

WHEREAS: Incendiary fires are set as a cry for help from battered and abused children; and

WHEREAS: Incendiary fires continue to cause property destruction, injury and death to Minnesotans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5 through May 11, 1985, to be

ARSON AWARENESS WEEK

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA'
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Gran Anderson Brown

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

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