



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Fifty years ago, virtually all of rural Minnesota did not have central station electric service available to farmers and homes; and

WHEREAS: President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the executive order creating the Rural Electrification Administration on May 11, 1935; and

WHEREAS: The REA program, through Minnesota's Rural Electric Cooperatives, has brought the benefits of electricity to some 425,000 rural Minnesota farms and homes;

WHEREAS: May 11, 1985, is the 50th Anniversary of the REA program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 11, 1985, as

MINNESOTA RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES DAY

in Minnesota in recognition of their outstanding contributions made to the economic development and improved living standards of Minnesota citizens.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Jean Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

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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 eighth 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.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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