



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Schools make substantial contributions to the future of this State and to the development of our nation's young people as knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizens; and

WHEREAS: Excellence in education is dependent on safe, secure and peaceful school settings; and

WHEREAS: It is the responsibility of students, other citizens, civic, education and legal institutions, law enforcement and other relevant governmental agencies to enhance the learning experiences of young people by helping improve school attendance, fostering fair and effective discipline, promoting good citizenship, and diminishing school crime, violence, substance abuse and vandalism; and

WHEREAS: The safety and well being of many students, teachers and school staff are unnecessarily jeopardized by disruption, crime, violence, substance abuse and vandalism in our schools; and

WHEREAS: Students who do not willingly attend school on a regular basis cannot fully benefit from the educational system and they often disrupt the learning experiences of other students; and

WHEREAS: All student governmental leaders, and education, legal and law enforcement officials, should eagerly cooperate with all relevant institutions and help to systematically and energetically focus attention, during the 1985-1986 school year, on school safety and student attendance and thereby identify, develop and promote innovative answers to these critical issues; and

WHEREAS: The observance of "Safe Schools Week" and the "Year of School Safety and Student Attendance" will further alert students, teachers, school staffs and the public to school safety and student attendance issues and encourage all citizens of this State to work to provide all our nation's schools with positive and safe learning climates;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 20 through October 26, 1985, to be

SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK

and the 1985-1986 school year to be

SCHOOL SAFETY

AND

STUDENT ATTENDANCE YEAR

in Minnesota.

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Jean Anderson Howe  
Secretary of State

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

Jean Anderson Howe Rudy Perpich  
GOVERNOR

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