



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Civic and religious leaders throughout the world, and ordinary citizens of every nation abhor a governmental system which mandates separation of races; and

WHEREAS: The system of racial separation in South Africa has led to violence against citizens of that nation, inequality of opportunity, and oppression; and

WHEREAS: While views differ on how governments, corporations and people can best express their views on apartheid, it is fully appropriate that the subject be widely discussed in public forums; and

WHEREAS: The executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Dr. Benjamin Hooks, has called for a national day of mourning for the violence in the Republic of South Africa; and

WHEREAS: It has been suggested that Saturday, October 5, 1985, be so designated as a national day of mourning;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 5, 1985, to be

MINNESOTA DAY OF MOURNING

FOR THE VIOLENCE

IN SOUTH AFRICA

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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Secretary of State

and urge that churches, synagogues and educational institutions lead discussions on the role of governments, institutions and citizens on this issue.

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

*Joan Anderson Howe*  
*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

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