



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The rights of people to choose where they will live is a cherished human right, and the right of families to be united is a moral right; and

WHEREAS: These rights are being denied to Jews in the Soviet Union because of emigration policies; and

WHEREAS: The free exercise of religion is a cherished right that is being denied in the Soviet Union, where Jews are deprived of cultural and linguistic identity; and

WHEREAS: The Helsinki Accords, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the UNESCO Convention Against Discrimination in Education, all seek to fulfill the cultural rights of minorities, including those in the Soviet Union; and

WHEREAS: Meetings between the highest leaders of the United States and the Soviet Union provide a forum for discussion of the issue of human rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 19 to be

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in Minnesota and join all citizens of our state in urging President Reagan and Chairman Gorbachev to discuss Jewish emigration, Jewish cultural rights and human rights throughout the world during their Geneva Summit Conference, in the name of peace.

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 twenty-fifth 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.

Jean Anderson Howe *Rudy Perpich*
GOVERNOR

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