



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet were among the first settlers of Minnesota, having come to St. Paul in 1851, when the state was still a territory; and

WHEREAS: The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet established in St. Paul: St. Joseph's Hospital, the first hospital in the state; St. Joseph's Academy, the first high school in the state; and the College of St. Catherine, the first college for women in the state; and

WHEREAS: They established in Minneapolis, St. Mary's Hospital, a distinguished Catholic institution that will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 1987; and St. Mary's Junior College, founded in 1964, the first junior college in the United States whose curriculum is devoted completely to health care sciences; and

WHEREAS: During the 135 years that the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have served here, they have been pioneers in establishing thirty boarding schools, a network of excellent educational institutions at the kindergarten, grade school, secondary school, junior college, and college levels throughout the Twin Cities, Minnesota, and neighboring states; and

WHEREAS: During the 135 years they have ministered here, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have answered urgent social needs by their work with orphans, minorities, single parents, abused women, street people, the mentally deprived, the chemically dependent, the poor, and the elderly; and

WHEREAS: In 1884 they established in downtown St. Paul St. Agatha's Conservatory, which for 78 years was an artistic and cultural center for the upper midwest; and

WHEREAS: In 1921, they established at the Cathedral School in St. Paul the first school safety patrol in the nation; and

WHEREAS: Since 1851, almost 2,500 Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have contributed their services to the State of Minnesota in education, health care and social services; and

WHEREAS: The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet are now celebrating a Sesquicentennial Jubilee in honor of their 150 years of service in the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 19, 1986, the feast day of their patron saint, to be

THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF CARONDELET DAY

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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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 nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

Jean Anderson Howe

Rudy Perpich  
GOVERNOR

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