



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The people of the State of Minnesota and the Norwegian people share a multitude of cultural, social and historical traditions; and

WHEREAS: As representatives of the government and the people of Norway, the Norwegian Home Guard's contingent now in Minnesota for training with this state's National Guard symbolizes the common bonds and traditions that continue to link us together; and

WHEREAS: A similar contingent of American National Guard members from Minnesota and seven other states are now training at Camp Torpo, Norway, in this 13th year of an exchange program between the guard forces of our respective governments; and

WHEREAS: This annual exchange program has not only enhanced the military capabilities of both the Minnesota National Guard and the Norwegian Home Guard, but also the personal relations between these two NATO allies; and

WHEREAS: This program has been heralded as the first and most successful troop training exchange in the entire U.S. Army since its beginnings in 1974; and

WHEREAS: This state is very proud to host such a productive and beneficial international exchange;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim February 21 through March 4, 1986, to be

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in Minnesota and call upon all citizens of our state to welcome and honor these young men and women of Norway.

Jean Anderson Grove
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 twenty-sixth 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 Grove

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

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