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WHEREAS: Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge was established on May 18, 1965; and

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This refuge was established to enhance waterfowl production and maintenance, to restore and maintain native vegetation and wildlife, to enhance habitat for wildlife diversity, and to provide the public with wildlife oriented opportunities in recreation,

environmental education, and interpretation; and

WHEREAS: The importance of this refuge is signified by its expanding use by wildlife and public;

Three men unselfishly gave their time and talents to urge the Minnesota Land Exchange Board, county commissioners, local landowners, and members of the general public to support the establishment of Sherburne Refuge; and

WHEREAS: Erving W. Bohm led conservation organizations and private citizens in their support;

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Urban C. "Pete" Nelson signified the efforts of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service WHEREAS:

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impoundments to the memory of these men and their efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 10, 1986, to be

SHERBURNE REFUGE ESTABLISHMENT SUPPORTERS! DAY

in Minnesota, and urge Minnesotans to show their appreciation by visiting Sherburne Refuge and the impoundments which have been dedicated to these three men, representing the accomplishments of their dreams.

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