



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Electricity has been an integral part of American lives for nearly one hundred years, lighting our homes, offices and highways, powering machines and instruments that make the goods and products shipped around the world by American industry, heating and cooling our home environment and cooking our food; and

WHEREAS: Nearly all consumers depend on electricity but are not always aware of the hazards of electricity and electrical products used in the home; and

WHEREAS: Electrical fires kill an estimated 1,000 Americans each year and injure an estimated 10,700 more; and

WHEREAS: Property losses from electrical fires approximate \$1.1 billion each year; and

WHEREAS: Electrocutions claim another 500 lives each year; and

WHEREAS: Many electrical fires, deaths and injuries could be prevented if consumers were aware of electrical hazards in and around the home;

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

ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

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in Minnesota and call upon the people of the state to conduct appropriate activities to increase awareness of the need for the safe use of electricity.

John Anderson
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-third day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

John Anderson
SECRETARY OF STATE

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