



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Sports plays a major role in the quality of life in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Sports fans enjoy high quality entertainment from both amateur and professional sports; and

WHEREAS: Verne Gagne has distinguished himself and the State of Minnesota in the sport of amateur and professional wrestling; and

WHEREAS: He was a four-time member of the University of Minnesota Big Ten Championship Wrestling Team; and

WHEREAS: Verne Gagne was a member of the 1948 and 1949 NCAA Championship Wrestling Team and the 1949 AAU Championship Wrestling Team; and

WHEREAS: He represented Minnesota as a member of the 1948 United States Olympic Wrestling Team; and

WHEREAS: Verne Gagne has brought entertainment to millions through televised wrestling since his appearance on the very first televised wrestling event in the nation; and

WHEREAS: Through his leadership of the American Wrestling Association, he has built the sport of professional wrestling throughout the U.S.; and

WHEREAS: At age 60, Verne Gagne is still a fine example of a skilled athlete, willing to take on all villains in the world of pro wrestling;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 20, 1986, to be

VERNE GAGNE DAY

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Jean Anderson Howe
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 twentieth 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.

Jean Anderson Howe
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Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR