

WHEREAS: Recreational boating is a popular and enjoyable pastime in Minnesota with over 645,000

registered watercraft; and

WHEREAS: Many boaters have never taken a boating course; and

WHEREAS: Many organizations offer free boating safety classes; and

WHEREAS: The safe use of Minnesota's lakes and rivers by boaters has long been an important

goal of the state and other agencies; and

WHEREAS: Boating safety organizations such as the Department of Natural Resources, county

sheriffs, the United States Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary, United States Power Squadrons and the American Red Cross are all urging boaters to take a course in boating

safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the first week of June to be

SAFE BOATING WEEK

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in Minnesota, and wrge Minnesota boaters to be smart and take a boating course.

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 May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-sixthere.

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