

The City of Aitkin has since the 1870's been the home port for Mississippi sternwheelers, which were the last and only vessels of their kind to navigate the northern channel of the Father of Waters as transportation and supply vessels for early loggers and settlers of Aitkin County; and

The City of Aitkin in the State of Minnesota desires to celebrate its origin as a WHEREAS: Mississippi river town and to make known throughout the land this rich pioneer heritage;

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

AITKIN RIVERBOAT DAYS

and July 27th to be

WHEREAS:

Secretary of State AITKIN RIVERBOAT RADIO-A-THON DAY

in Minnesota.

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 ninth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-eighth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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