



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: More than 400,000 Americans, including more than 7,000 Minnesotans, are currently amateur radio operators or "hams", who continually demonstrate their skill and ability in dedicated volunteer public service in the interest of community, state and national welfare; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio is a unique service in that every member is licensed by his or her government on the premise that amateur radio is a service "in the public interest, convenience, or necessity"; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio is often the first line of communication into and out of a disaster area and often provides emergency communications throughout the entire period from onslaught to clean-up; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio operators transmit messages to military personnel overseas, participate in public service activities, train for emergencies, relay personal messages for the public free of charge, and conduct effective education and training for prospective operators and the general public; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio operators across Minnesota are standing by to respond to almost any emergency for the sole purpose of providing emergency communications for government and disaster relief organizations; and

WHEREAS: The continuing presence of these amateur radio operators is a great benefit to the state of Minnesota and a service to humanity in hours of need;

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

### AMATEUR RADIO APPRECIATION WEEK

in Minnesota and call upon all citizens to pay appropriate tribute to the amateur radio operators of our state.

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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 fourth 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.

*Rudy Perpich*