



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The year 1987 marks the 100th anniversary of the appointment of the State of Minnesota's first Game Warden; and
- WHEREAS: The duties of the Conservation Officer of today have changed dramatically since the days of the first Game Warden; and
- WHEREAS: The Conservation Officer is charged with preserving Minnesota's bountiful natural resources and enforcing the laws to protect the fish and wildlife resources of the state; and
- WHEREAS: Our Conservation Officers, as the Game Wardens of years past, are dedicated to their duty and feel pride in the vocation of preserving our natural resources; and
- WHEREAS: Game Wardens and Conservation Officers risk their lives in the performance of their duties and several officers have lost their lives while protecting our natural resources; and
- WHEREAS: The position of Conservation Officer with the Department of Natural Resources is the most visible to the public and requires an infinite amount of patience and public relations ability; and
- WHEREAS: The Conservation Officers have been, and will continue to be, vital in eliminating the illegal taking of our fish and wildlife resources and have helped to educate the public on many resource issues; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Conservation Officers and their predecessors--the Game Wardens--have been long-time friends to sportsmen and sportswomen and all citizens concerned about the future of our fish and wildlife resources in Minnesota;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 8, 1987 to be

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in Minnesota and encourage all citizens to voluntarily comply with laws and regulations relating to our fish and wildlife resources.

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 eighth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven, and of the State the one hundred twenty-eighth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Howe
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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Secretary of State

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