



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Ancient Greece was the birthplace of democratic ideals; and
- WHEREAS: Modern Greece suffered under 400 years of Turkish Ottoman subjugation and cruelties; and
- WHEREAS: During the enslavement under Turkish Ottoman rule Greeks continued to fight for freedom under the cry, "Liberty or death"; and
- WHEREAS: On March 25, 1821, Greece emerged once again as a Nation of free peoples fighting a tyrannical regime; and
- WHEREAS: March 25, 1987, marks the 166th year of Greek Independence where the principles and the preservation of civil and human rights reign supreme; and
- WHEREAS: Americans of Greek heritage have contributed significantly to the American ideal of democratic principles and laws by drawing on their Greek heritage;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim March 25, 1987, to be

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A C E L E B R A T I O N O F G R E E K A N D A M E R I C A N D E M O C R A C Y

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 twentieth 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

Joan Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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