



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Eli Lewis, a settler from Winsted, Connecticut, purchased land, then known as the Big Woods, from a half-Sioux Indian, Baptiste Campbell; and

WHEREAS: In 1862, all of the settlers left the area because of the Sioux uprising and went back to Fort Snelling where they were given ammunition and told to go back home; and

WHEREAS: Some of the first small businesses were a sawmill, blacksmith shop, general dry goods store, and a flour mill that marketed "Maple Leaf" flour; and

WHEREAS: Winsted, in McLeod County, was incorporated on August 27, 1887. The population in 1890 was 267, and in 1987 is 2,000; and

WHEREAS: The Electric Short Line Railroad came to Winsted, direct from Minneapolis, in 1915, and was discontinued in 1973. This is now the Luce Line Trail and extends from Plymouth to Gluek; and

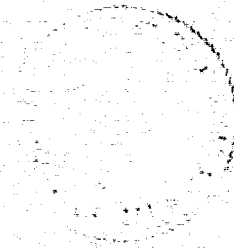
WHEREAS: The Centennial Committee has spent many hours preparing a city history book and has planned many festivities that include a parade, carnival, helicopter rides, catamaran races, fly-in lunch and air show, polka dance, old timers baseball game, horseshoe, volleyball, softball tournaments and fireworks;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim August 27 to be

WINSTED, MINNESOTA, DAY

in Minnesota, and further congratulate all citizens of the City of Winsted on their Centennial Celebration, July 24 through July 26, 1987.

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


Joan Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

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Secretary of State

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