



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Ruth Westrom has spent the last 44 years teaching at Wheaton, Montevideo, Cloquet and St. Anthony Village high schools; and

WHEREAS: During that time she has consistently coached outstanding individuals and teams in speech and debate competition, including the 1957 State Debate Championship team from Cloquet; and

WHEREAS: She has been one of Minnesota's most respected and loved forensics coaches, winning the highest awards given by both the Minnesota Debate Teachers Association and the Speech Association of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Throughout her teaching career, she has been a tireless advocate of both speech-communication and gifted education in the curriculum of our high schools; and

WHEREAS: She has always believed that the educational benefits of debate and speech were of a higher value than her own students' competitive success, and proved that by being a strong supporter of new coaches and novice students;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim December 10 to be

RUTH WESTROM 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 first day of December 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

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