

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Many educational, scientific, health, economic, and industrial groups have, during these last years, taken steps to eliminate the use of narcotics in their special fields; and

WHEREAS: These steps were results of fact-surveys, such as "This week 100 youngsters across America, will kill themselves, and 1000 more will try," (Los Angeles Suicide Prevention Facts) and "An estimated 19% of adolescents, aged 14-17, are problem drinkers, following the example of 18 million adults, alcoholics and problem drinkers," (National Council on Alcoholism); and

WHEREAS: American youth need to know that fourteen teens die daily because of drunk driving, and that cancer-causing chemicals are 70% more abundant in marijuana smoke than in tobacco smoke, and that cigarette smoking is now considered to be the largest preventable cause of illness and premature death in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Sarah Ward, Consultant for Narcotic Education, states that more than one half of American 6th graders, and one third of fourth graders, feel pressured to drink; and

WHEREAS: Citizens need to become knowledgeable about narcotics, so that the movement can gather momentum and many people are spared the strife of a bad habit;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 17-23, 1988 to be

### YOUTH TEMPERANCE WEEK

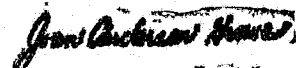
in Minnesota and urge all citizens to become knowledgeable on this subject.

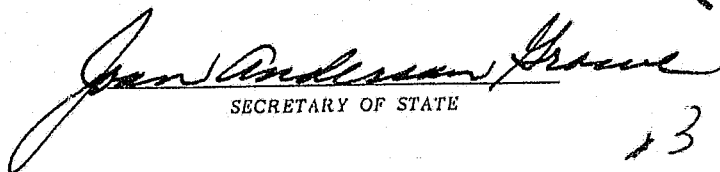
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have herewith set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

  
GOVERNOR

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