

Proclamation

Agriculture is Minnesota's largest industry; and WHEREAS:

Minnesota is blessed with a wide variety and great abundance of crops and livestock WHEREAS:

produced on 98,000 farms; and

The market value of this production approximates seven billion dollars annually; and WHEREAS:

Minnesota is one of the key agricultural processing states in the nation which in turn adds a significant increase in the value of the goods produced; and WHEREAS:

It is essential that farmers, business people and consumers work to understand each other's needs for the benefit of all: and WHEREAS:

One-third of our population derives their income from the production, processing, transportation and marketing of these products; and WHEREAS:

Ag Day is set aside to salute the achievements of the working men and women in the agri-business area of Minnesota's economy; WHEREAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 20, 1988, to be

AGRICULTURE DAY

in Minnesota and urge all Minnesota citizens, both rural and urban, to foster a better understanding of agriculture as one of the bounties and strengths of our nation.

> 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-second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

SECRETARY OF STATE

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