

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Teaching the young in full-time Lutheran schools has been an intergral part of the heritage and life of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod from its 1847 beginning; and

WHEREAS: Congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod maintain the largest Protestant school system in the United States, enrolling over 220,000 students in over 1,900 preschools, elementary, secondary schools and colleges, served by over 12,000 teachers and professors with a support system of over 6,000 congregations; and

WHEREAS: The purpose and mission of Lutheran schools is to equip children, youth, young adults and their parents to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus Christ of discipling all nations by baptizing and teaching, and, to this end, prepare them for service and leadership in Lutheran congreyations; and

WHEREAS: Graduates of Lutheran schools have gone on to distinguish themselves through service and leadership in community, government and the church;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 6 through March 12, 1988 to be

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge all members to recognize Lutheran schools for their commitment to proclaim the Gospel to children, young people and their parents, and for their commitment to excellence in quality Christian education.

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.

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