

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: James J. Fanelli is celebrating his 75th birthday on March 23rd, 1988 with his family and friends, who all care deeply for him; and

WHEREAS: James J. Fanelli is a retired lightweight professional prizefighter from Hibbing, Minnesota whose boxing career was colorful and exciting; and

WHEREAS: James J. Fanelli also worked in the restaurant business, and in the jewelry business from which he retired in 1980; and

WHEREAS: James J. Fanelli also was secretary to the Old Guards of the Ring, further showing his love and enthusiasm for the Sport of boxing; and

WHEREAS: James J. Fanelli is an extra-special person; he is outgoing, friendly and good-natured, and is ready and willing to help in any situation; and

WHEREAS: James J. Fanelli provides transportation to shut-ins in the Twin Cities and donates tickets to ex-boxers for Old Guards of the Rings Dinners, and these are only two examples of the many kind things he does for others;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 23rd to be

JAMES J. FANELLI 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 Capital this eighth day of March 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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