



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: The knowledge and understanding of foreign languages and cultures contributes to world peace; and

WHEREAS: The United States of America is a member of the world community; and

WHEREAS: The United States of America is a member of the Organization of American States, most of which are Spanish-speaking; and

WHEREAS: Hispanics have contributed to our state and communities; and

WHEREAS: Spanish is the language most spoken in the United States of America other than English; and

WHEREAS: Miguel de Cervantez, the father of the Spanish Literature and the creator of the immortal "Man of La Mancha", died in April of 1616; and

WHEREAS: In memory of Cervantez, the Minnesota Chapter of The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, offers its State Spanish Contest on the second week of April;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the second week of April to be

THE SPANISH LANGUAGE  
AND HISPANIC CULTURES WEEK

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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*Joan Anderson Grove*

Secretary of State

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-fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

*Joan Anderson Grove*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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