



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The population of Minnesota is a diverse collection that includes the Native Americans who were this land's first inhabitants as well as people who have come here from all parts of the globe; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesotans, whatever their origins, have contributed their cultures, traditions, and values to their fellow citizens and have, in turn, benefited from the contributions of others; and
- WHEREAS: At the same time that we recognize our diversity, we also share a love of our common humanity and a sense of gratitude for our opportunity to enrich one another with, on the one hand, our uniqueness and, on the other, our basic similarity; and
- WHEREAS: Together with all Americans, we stand as living examples to the world of the ideal expressed by our founders in the motto "E Pluribus Unum," or "One From Many"; and
- WHEREAS: From time to time, we need to reaffirm our dedication to that ideal and to remind ourselves that, while each of us is different, we are all members of the family of humankind; and
- WHEREAS: The observance of Ethnic American Day will provide an appropriate occasion for such a reaffirmation and reminder; and
- WHEREAS: Agnea Antoniadis of St. Paul organized the first observance of Ethnic American Day in 1986;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 15, 1988 to be

ETHNIC AMERICAN DAY

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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Joan Anderson Howe
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 eleventh day of April 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 Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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