

Proclamation

The River Transportation Industry employs over 6,000 people in Minnesota and handles \$3 WHEREAS: billion in goods annually; and

The River Transportation Industry is the safest, most fuel efficient and most economic WHEREAS: means to transport goods; and

The naustalgia of the river business dates back to Mark Twain, the packet boats and the big sternwheelers; and WHEREAS:

Many cities and towns in the State of Minnesota owe their origin to the Mississippi River system because this waterway is navigable to their shores; and WHEREAS:

The citizens of Minnesota have a renewed appreciation of what the Mississippi River means to them for recreation, natural beauty, conservation and river commerce; WHEREAS:

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

RIVER TRANSPORTATION MONTH

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILED

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 eightyeight, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

in Minnesota

BERNON BILLY