



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Everett Lavern Sutton was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma during a blizzard on April 8, 1938; and

WHEREAS: He was the hometown "boy wonder" whose skills as singer, actor, composer, librettist and director were developed through numerous church and school projects; and

WHEREAS: He further developed these talents at Austin College in Sherman, Texas, finding them blossom to their fullest glory upon his move to Minnesota in 1960; and

WHEREAS: He studied as hard as he could and earned his PhD in Musicology at the University of Minnesota with a thesis on one of the Italian composers most beloved here in Minnesota - Nicola Porpora; and

WHEREAS: He has enriched the lives of thousands of people through his work with countless arts organizations throughout Minnesota, including the Minnesota Orchestra, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Northfield Arts Guild, Minnesota Opera, Plymouth Music Series, Schubert Club, Stagecoach Players and Great North American History Theater; and

WHEREAS: He has devoted 20 years to the development of young talent as Director of the University of Minnesota Opera Workshop and as a Professor in the School of Music;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 8, 1988 to be

V E R N S U T T O N D A Y

in Minnesota in honor of his fiftieth birthday.

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 fourth 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

Maudene Johnson
LIEUTENANT

Joan Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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