



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Blandin Foundation provided the initial funding to start the pilot project Sentencing to Service, operated jointly by the Minnesota Department of Corrections and the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS: Sentencing to Service is a pilot program started in September, 1986, that puts non-dangerous property offenders to work on community service projects for governmental and non-profit agencies, instead of having them spend non-productive time in jail; and

WHEREAS: Sentencing to Service provides benefits to the court system in Minnesota, to the local communities, to Minnesota taxpayers and to the offender, thereby making it a very worthwhile project in our state; and

WHEREAS: Through Blandin Foundation's generosity, this program, which is part of a statewide effort to make positive improvements in public services, called Strive Toward Excellence in Performance, has been given the chance to succeed, and preliminary figures indicate that the pilot project is already exceeding expectations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, May 2, 1988 to be

BLANDIN FOUNDATION 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 Capitol this twenty-seventh 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  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

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