

Proclamation

WHEREAS: On May 5, 1888, nineteen railroad machinists gathered in a railroad pit in Atlanta, Georgia, to organize a union of workers; and

WHEREAS: The vision of these nineteen brave machinists has become reality in the formation of a labor union which has since provided for democracy in the workplace, job security, safe and healthful working conditions, and a decent standard of living for its members over the past century; and

WHEREAS: The International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers currently represents more than 800,000 working men and women in a wide variety of industries and vocations in the United States and Canada; and

WHEREAS: The struggles and triumphs of these current IAM members and their forebears in the workplace and political arena have resulted in a higher standard of living for all U.S. and Canadian workers; and

WHEREAS: The IAM is holding its centennial convention this year in Atlanta, Georgia;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May 5, 1988 to be

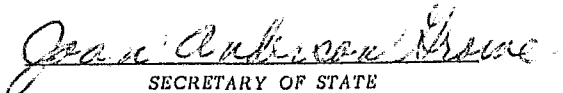
MACHINISTS UNION DAY

in Minnesota in recognition of a century of progress of this great union and the contribution to our society of its founding members and membership throughout its history.

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



GOVERNOR

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