



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: The historical, intellectual, spiritual, cultural, recreational, and environmental health of a nation and its peoples is found in the ideal of parks; and

WHEREAS: The idea of a National Park System is the embodiment of this ideal; and

WHEREAS: The Midwest Region of the National Park Service has represented these values in our Nation's Heartland for over 50 years, and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota is a part of the Midwest Region of the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS: Grand Portage National Monument, St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, Pipestone National Monument and Voyageurs National Park are units of the Midwest Region of the National Park Service in the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: August 25 is the birthday of the founding of the National Park Service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim August 25 to be

### "NATIONAL PARKS DAY"

in Minnesota, and encourage its citizens to express their support of the national parks idea and celebrate the ideal of parks by visiting and enjoying these special and unique areas in recognition of their importance in maintaining our nation's quality of life.

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

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

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