



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Mathias Gedney, a sailor in the 1860's, settled in Minnesota to begin the state's first pickle company in 1881; and

WHEREAS: The pickles are still grown today, over a century later, in the rich, fertile soil of the Minnesota Valley, by hundreds of Minnesota farmers; and

WHEREAS: The pickle is often heard to say, "I get no respect," and is frequently the undeserving butt of jokes, cartoons and unfortunate sayings such as "I'm in a real pickle," ; and

WHEREAS: The pickle endures this abuse despite its significance in agriculture, gastronomy and the all-American picnic;

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

MINNESOTA PICKLE WEEK

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

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Joan Anderson Groen
SECRETARY OF STATE

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