

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: Sportfishing provides healthful recreation for more than sixty million Americans of all ages; and

Fishing promotes respect for our nation's natural waters, wilderness and wildlife; and

WHEREAS: Fishing is an established recreational tradition rooted deeply in the history of our

country and the hearts of our citizenry; and

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WHEREAS: Sportfishing, through the payment of millions of dollars annually for licenses, taxes and fees, has provided the funding for federal and state programs that contribute significantly to the preservation and protection of our natural environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim June 6-12, 1988 to be

NATIONAL FISHING WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to appropriately recognize the many significant contributions of sport fishing to our national well-being.

> 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 twelfth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight, and of the State the one hundred witteth.

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILED

Joan Cholosacu Scale
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