



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The Minnesota community for reading promotion includes authors, booksellers, businesses, child care professionals, civic and community groups, unions, legislators, librarians, literacy providers, newspapers, parents, public television and other broadcasters, publishers, reading teachers, and others;
- WHEREAS: Past success with the Year of the Reader - PLUS in Minnesota demonstrated the increased reading promotion which broad-based partnerships achieve; and
- WHEREAS: The Go Places-Read initiative began numerous collaborative efforts which still bear results; and
- WHEREAS: The "Best Gift" coalition, led by children's librarians, committed to the benefits of learning and reading, advocates library services for every child in Minnesota by the end of 1989; and
- WHEREAS: School library media generalists, other educators and their partners are implementing new guidelines for programs which address the challenges of information access, literacy, and higher order thinking; and
- WHEREAS: The Congress, by Public Law 100-622, has designated 1989 as "Year of the Young Reader," which the President of the United States has also proclaimed; and
- WHEREAS: The President has called upon parents and educators, librarians and publishers, interested private organizations and businesses, government officials, and all Americans to observe this year with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesotans are joined in a common concern that children, youth and young adults develop the attitudes, skills and habits for lifelong learning; and
- WHEREAS: A key element in self directed and interdependent lifelong learning is reading; and
- WHEREAS: We live in a literate world and reading is a common thread in our shared citizenship on the planet; and
- WHEREAS: Reading, and the critical thinking skills intrinsic in reading, account for the robustness of our creative, civic, and economic lives; and
- WHEREAS: Reading links us with the past, attaches us to the present and directs us to the future; and
- WHEREAS: Reading undergirds all the choices we must make in our daily lives as productive problem-solvers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim 1989 to be

THE YEAR OF THE YOUNG READER

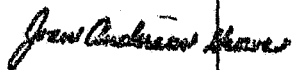
in Minnesota.

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 thirty-first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.


GOVERNOR
STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
FILED

MAR 3 1989


SECRETARY OF STATE

438906 
Secretary of State