



## Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Women's participation in sports and physical activity is one of the most effective ways by which women of Minnesota may develop self-discipline, initiative, confidence, and leadership skills; and
- WHEREAS: Support and fitness activity contributes to emotional and physical well-being, and women need strong bodies as well as strong minds; and
- WHEREAS: The connection between the importance of physical activity and health is being actively researched and reported; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota has taken the initiative in creating an Amateur Sports Commission to ensure increased participation in sports; and
- WHEREAS: Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Departments have provided increased opportunities for young women to achieve both academic and athletic excellence; and
- WHEREAS: University of Minnesota student athlete Marie Roethlisberger is the recipient of the 1988 Honda Broderick Inspiration Award; and
- WHEREAS: The number of women in the leadership positions of coaches, officials, and administrators has declined drastically over the last decade, and there is a need to restore women to these positions to ensure a fair representation of women's and to provide role models for young female athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, February 2, 1989 to be

### GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to join in this observance.

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-fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine and of the State the one hundred

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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