



Proclamation

WHEREAS: March 16 is the anniversary of the birth of James Madison, one of the Founding Fathers, who recognized and supported the need to guarantee individual rights through the Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS: The power which knowledge gives is fostered by free access to information; and

WHEREAS: The state plays a significant role in defining, assuring and promoting free access to information; and

WHEREAS: Reading, newspapers, bookselling, public education and libraries, as well as the availability of government records and publications, are the cornerstones on democracy; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota has a heritage of creating a climate of access through policies and practices that reflect a commitment to freedom of information;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim March 16, 1989 to be

F R E E D O M O F I N F O R M A T I O N D A Y

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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MAR 28 1989

Joan Anderson Shaver
Secretary of State

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 seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Joan Anderson Shaver
SECRETARY OF STATE

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