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		Proclamation
	WHEREAS:	John Finnegan is retiring from his 37-year career with the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch where he has served as writer, editorial writer, editor, assistant executive editor, executive editor, assistant publisher and senior vice president; and
	WHEREAS:	Throughout his years at the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch, John Finnegan has shown tireless efforts to protect the public's right to know and freedom of information, thereby helping to preserve our democratic form of government; and
	WHEREAS:	John Finnegan has proven over and over his insightfulness, his excellent writing abilities and his willingness to take on community service projects, including chairmanship of the Metropolitan Planning Commission, which preceded the Metro Council; and
	WHEREAS:	John Finnegan has been an invaluable teacher and advisor to his newstaff, which has won two Pulitzer prizes since 1988; and
	WHEREAS:	It is fitting to set aside a day to honor this man who has done so much for the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch and for the field of journalism in the State of Minnesota and in the nation;
	NOW, THERI 1989 to be	EFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim February 15,
		JOHN FINNEGAN DAY
	in Minnesota	, and wish him a happy and fulfilling retirement.
		IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have herewnto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this tenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty- nine and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.
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