



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Predators are among the most readily recognized animals throughout the world and have long been important in the culture of human beings; and

WHEREAS: In their position at the top of natural food chains predators are particularly vulnerable to exploitation, habitat loss, and alterations; and

WHEREAS: Human demands and pressures on predators and their habitats have resulted in a large number being listed as threatened and endangered species; and

WHEREAS: The maintenance or re-establishment of viable predator populations is essential to maintaining naturally functioning communities; and

WHEREAS: The National Wildlife Federation has set aside the week of March 19 through March 25, 1989 as a time to become more aware of predators and their roles;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 19 through March 25, 1989 to be

NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK

and urge one and all to unite in support of every activity that will improve our understanding of predators and the essential role they play and thus strongly affirm the vital importance of the 1989 theme "Predators! They're Part of the Picture."

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 twentieth 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

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