

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Recreational boating is a popular and enjoyable pastime in Minnesota with over 692,000

registered watercraft; and

WHEREAS: Many boaters are not informed about the dangers of alcohol, cold water and lack of

lifesaving devices; and

WHEREAS: Many organizations offer free boating safety classes and information; and

WHEREAS: The safe use of Minnesota's lakes and rivers by boaters has long been an important

goal of the state and other agencies; and

WHEREAS: Boating safety organizations such as the Department of Natural Resources, county sheriffs, the United States Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary, United States Power

Squadrons and the American Red Cross are all urging boaters to become informed about

safety before they head for the water;

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

SAFE BOATING WEEK

in Minnesota, and urge Minnesota boaters to know before they go.

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-third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eightynine, and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.

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