



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: On Saturday, October 7, 1989, the Basilica of Saint Mary celebrates its seventy-fifth anniversary. It is a significant monument in the city of Minneapolis that was built by the first Catholic Parish in Minneapolis, founded in 1868; and

WHEREAS: Archbishop John Ireland commissioned the Architect of the St. Louis World's Fair, Emmanuel Masqueray, to design a grand structure to adorn the city of Minneapolis and provide for the welfare of the people in that community; and

WHEREAS: The Basilica of Saint Mary was the first church in America to receive the title Basilica; and

WHEREAS: The Basilica of Saint Mary, a magnificent example of French Beaux Arts Architecture, was placed on the National Historic Register in 1975; and

WHEREAS: The Basilica of Saint Mary continues to serve the poor and the homeless of Minneapolis to this day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 7, 1989 to be

### THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY DAY

in Minnesota, in honor of its 75th anniversary.

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 fourteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine, and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.



*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

*Jean Anderson Grove*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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Secretary of State

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