

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: The 1990 International Trans-Antarctica Expedition has been formed as the first-ever traverse of Antarctica on the west-east axis; and

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WHEREAS: The 1990 International Trans-Antarctica Expedition will serve as a worldwide learning tool for the political and scientific issues surrounding the continent of Antarctica; and

WHEREAS: The 1990 International Trans-Antarctica Expedition will demonstrate that the future of exploration on this earth, in space and in all our worldly endeavors lies in overcoming political boundries and working together for humankind; and

WHEREAS: The 1990 International Trans-Antarctica Expedition team members — Minnesota's own Will Steger, Dr. Jean-Louis Etienne of France, Dr. Victor Boyarsky of the Soviet Union, Geoff Somers of Great Britain, Keizo Funatsu of Japan, and Qin Dahe of the People's Republic of China — shall, in this deed, demonstrate to the world remarkable courage, fortitude and dedication;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim July 16,

TRANS-ANTARCTICA WEEK

in Minnesota in honor of the historic departure of the international expedition from Minnesota to Antarctica on July 16, 1989.

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 sixteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eightynine, and of the State the one hundred.

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