

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: In 1866 Congress authorized the use of the metric system of measurement in the United

States; and

WHEREAS: The Trade Bill of 1988 establishes the use of the metric system (the International

System of Units) in declaration of U.S. goods for export and initiates metric planning

by federal agencies; and

WHEREAS: The metric system is being used extensively by U.S. manufacturing firms and being

taught at all levels of education; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota has extensive contacts and trade with many other nations, all

of which use the international metric system; and

WHEREAS: The National Council on State Metrication, the U.S. Metric Association, the National

Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and other worthy organizations have designated the

week containing the tenth day of the tenth month as "National Metric Week;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 8 through October 14, 1988, to be

METRIC WEEK

in Minnesota.

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 Capital this third day of October 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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