

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Vietnamese Youth Network was begun in 1988; and

WHEREAS: Vietnamese youth in Minnesota were forced to flee their homeland in search of peace and

freedom; and

WHEREAS: Vietnamese students and their mentor, Bachyen Nguyen, a social worker, saw a need to

support these young survivors through bicultural education, and the friendship of their

peers; and

WHEREAS: Their work serves increasing numbers of child survivors through retreats and other

activities; and

WHEREAS: On November 11, 1989, the second annual Reunion Program for Vietnamese youth, their

families, and friends will commemorate their escape and desire to become new Americans

with a vision of hope and peace in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, November 11, 1989 to be

VIETNAMESE YOUTH NETWORK DAY

in Minnesota, in honor of the quest for biculutural understanding 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 Capitol this first day of hovember in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eightynine, and of the State the one hundred thirtleth.

GOVERNOR

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