



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota's forest treasures were a significant attraction to early settlers because of their usefulness and the beautiful environment they provided; and

WHEREAS: Trees are an increasingly vital resource in Minnesota today, enriching our lives by purifying air and water, helping conserve soil and energy, creating jobs through a large forest products industry, serving as recreational settings, providing habitat for wildlife of all kinds, and making our cities more liveable; and

WHEREAS: Human activities such as construction damage and pollution, as well as disease and insects, threaten our trees, creating the need for concerted action to ensure the future of urban and rural forests in our state, country, and world; and

WHEREAS: The year 1990 will be one of celebration with special activities showcasing all that is outstanding about Minnesota occurring statewide, including the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of Earth Day, and the planting of one million trees by Minnesota citizens, both young and old; and

WHEREAS: Each year on the last Friday in April - Arbor Day - the people of Minnesota pay special attention to the wonderful treasure that our trees represent and dedicate themselves to the continued health of our state's stock of trees;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 27, 1990 to be

AR B O R D A Y

and the month of May 1990 to be

AR B O R M O N T H

in Minnesota.

Further, I urge all citizens to become more aware of the importance of trees to their well-being, to participate in tree planting programs that will ensure a green Minnesota in decades to come, and to plant, nurture, protect, and wisely use Minnesota's great treasure of trees.

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 thirteenth day of December 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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Jean Anderson Grove
Secretary of State

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