



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Women's participation in sports and physical activity is one of the most effective ways by which women of Minnesota may develop self-discipline, initiative, confidence, and leadership skills; and

WHEREAS: Support and fitness activity contributes to emotional and physical well-being, and women need strong bodies as well as strong minds; and

WHEREAS: The connection between the importance of physical activity and health is being actively researched and reported; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota has taken the initiative in creating an Amateur Sports Commission to ensure increased participation in sports; and

WHEREAS: Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Departments have provided increased opportunities for young women to achieve both academic and athletic excellence; and

WHEREAS: University of Minnesota student athlete Marie Roethlisberger is the recipient of the 1988 Honda Broderick Inspiration Award; and

WHEREAS: The number of women in the leadership positions of coaches, officials, and administrators has declined drastically over the last decade, and there is a need to restore women to these positions to ensure a fair representation of women's abilities and to provide role models for young female athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, February 8, 1990 to be

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in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to join in this observance.

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 second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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Secretary of State  
SECRETARY OF STATE

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR