



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The educational opportunities provided by such programs as Upward Bound, Student Support Services and Talent Search - collectively known as Trio - programs have provided supportive academic services which facilitate success in education for disadvantaged students since 1965; and
- WHEREAS: Both houses of the United States Congress have recognized the achievements and success of Trio programs by declaring the last Saturday in February of each year as National TRIO Day; and
- WHEREAS: It is vital to our future that this state and nation work together to ensure the fullest development of its educational cultural potential and to persevere in efforts to aid the thousands of disadvantaged high school and college students who face enormous odds in realizing their educational goals and developing their full potential; and
- WHEREAS: The twenty TRIO programs in Minnesota, consisting of ten Student Support Services programs, seven Upward Bound programs and three Talent Search programs located at 12 Minnesota colleges and one tribal organization, have proved to be an important retention mechanism for over 4600 disadvantaged, minority and disabled Minnesota students each year; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota TRIO programs have a consistent record of success in providing participants invaluable information about college, motivating them to enroll in higher education, and enabling them to succeed in college; and
- WHEREAS: In the last two decades, the TRIO programs across the nation have produced thousands of educational success stories, including two Rhodes Scholars and the first Hispanic astronaut;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim February 24, 1990 and the last Saturday of February of subsequent years to be

MINNESOTA EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY DAY

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 twenty-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.

Jean Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

Rudy Perpich
STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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