

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The people of Minnesota and Norway share a wealth of cultural, social and historical traditions and values; and

The representatives of the government of the people of Norway, the Norwegian Home Guard Contingent now training in Minnesota with this state's National Guard, symbolize our common bonds of friendship; and WHEREAS:

A like group of Minnesota Army National Guard Members, and those of seven other states is now training at Camp Torpo, Norway, in an exchange between the Guard forces of our respective governments that has occured annually for the last 17 years; and WHEREAS:

This continuing exchange program has improved the military training of both the Minnesota Guard and the Norwegian Home Guard, and has enhanced the human relations between the people of these two NATO allies; and WHEREAS:

This program has been heralded as the first and most successful troop training exchange in the entire U.S. Army since its inception in 1974; and WHEREAS:

WHEREAS: Minnesota is extremely proud to host such a productive and worthwhile international

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim February 23 through March 5, 1990 to be

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in Minnesota, and call upon all citizens of our great state to welcome and honor these fine young men and women of Norway.

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

ESTATEANT

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Secretary of State