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### Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Soybean is consistently Minnesota's leading cash field crop for this state's 40,000 farm producers; with an estimated value of \$850,000,000; and

WHEREAS: The further processing of soybeans into an increasing variety of food and industrial products for domestic and export market consumption supports more than 10,000 off farm jobs in this state; and

WHEREAS: The full economic benefit to the people of Minnesota from soybean production and processing is estimated at three to five times its contribution of our state's farm income; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is continuing its second decade of aggressive, farmer financed and managed research and promotional activity, in cooperation with the American Soybean Association, and with federal and state matching funds; and

WHEREAS: The full economic potential of this amazing agricultural crop remains to be developed for the mutual benefit of farmers, consumers and job seekers; and

WHEREAS: The farmer elected leadership of the Minnesota Soybean Growers Association and the Minnesota Soybean Research and Promotion council believe in self-help programs and thus are working to make consumers aware of the many benefits of the soybean to individuals as well as the environment; and

WHEREAS: Two new trademarks have been created to identify soy products with edible soy products with the soymark, while the industrial uses for soy products carry the soyseal and it is important for consumers to become familiar with both;

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

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in Minnesota, and further, I urge all citizens to join with our state's farmers in recognizing the established importance and the increased contributions that soybean production, processing, research and promotion have made and which will further enrich the progress and quality of life for all citizens of 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 twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety, and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.

*Jean Anderson Grove*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Rudy Perpich*  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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