

WHEREAS: Minnesota Women use their talents, skills, abilities, and sense of justice and commitment to express themselves in a wide variety of activities in communities all over Minnesota, but are not always recognized for the positive contributions they make; and

WHEREAS: The Marvelous Minnesota Woman award honors women for their personal accomplishments and acknowledges the significance of each individual contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS: Suzanne Blue paddled the Mississippi River from Red Wing, Minnesota to Hannibal, Missouri; and

WHEREAS: She went on to become the owner and manager of Flower Valley Orchards Fruit Market, and from 1979 to 1986 was the owner and manager of Flower Valley Specialty Pies; and

WHEREAS: Suzanne was a founder and chair of the Red Wing Area Women's Network, and chair of the Board of the Hedin Hartnagel Memorial Fund, a Red Wing revolving student loan fund; and

WHEREAS: She committed extensive energy to the League of Women Voters of Red Wing as its President, and is currently a board member of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Also noteworthy is her involvement as President of the Friends of the T.B. Sheldon Auditorium Theater, an organization which has provided more than 400 volunteers and $\$ 50,000$ in annual fundraising; and

WHEREAS: Suzanne is a board member of the Red Wing Area Fund of the St. Paul Foundation, and a member of the Goodhue County Planning Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim

SUZANNE BLUE

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.


