



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Thousands of Minnesota service men and women have served the United States honorably, and through events and circumstances of war beyond their control, have been imprisoned by enemy forces; and

WHEREAS: These prisoners of war from the Civil War through the conflicts of the present century, have survived their ordeal; and

WHEREAS: These men bore valiantly the cruelties of their captors, and the loss of their freedom; and

WHEREAS: These ex-prisoners of war bear the scars of their incarceration and the insensitivity of society; and

WHEREAS: They are imminently deserving of the recognition of their fellow citizens, and have earned the right to wear their "badges of courage" proudly;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 9, 1990 to be

AMERICAN EX-PRISONER OF WAR DAY

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
FILED

APR 27 1990

*Jean Anderson Howe*  
Secretary of State

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

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

*Jean Anderson Howe*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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