



# Proclamation

WHEREAS: pleasure boating has become a major source of leisure-time pleasure, a fascinating recreational outlet for all age groups, a widely varied sport that has become one of the fastest growing forms of recreation in the state and also throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS: the safe and sane use of our waterways is the shared responsibility of all of its users, we must always be mindful to avoid turning pleasure into tragedy; and

WHEREAS: with the pressures of the energy crisis forcing a reduction in our available fuel supplies, all who utilize our waterways should be mindful of the need to conserve fuel to aid in meeting our energy needs; and

WHEREAS: all persons who utilize our state waterways for recreation should possess at least a minimum knowledge of water safety for their own protection, for safety of their passengers, their craft and as a protection for others using the waters of the state. I urge all who engage in recreational boating to take advantage of the numerous boating safety courses offered by various governmental and private organizations and especially urge inexperienced operators of small watercraft to enroll in educational courses which are designed to teach the fundamentals of safe boating; and

WHEREAS: the United States Congress, being aware of the need for boating safety, on June 4, 1958, enacted a joint resolution directing that the week which includes July 4 be proclaimed annually as National Safe Boating Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim, in conjunction with the Governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and America Samoa, and the Commissioner of the District of Columbia, the week beginning June 30, 1974 as

## SAFE BOATING WEEK

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 seventeenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-four and of the State the one hundred and sixteenth.

Wendell R. Anderson  
GOVERNOR

Allen J. Erdahl  
SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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Allen J. Erdahl  
Secretary of State

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