



Proclamation

WHEREAS: the women of America constitute fifty-one percent of our nation's most valuable resource--the American people; and

WHEREAS: the contributions of women to all fields of human endeavor have increased our knowledge, supported and extended scientific research and achievement, heightened our appreciation and accomplishment in the arts, further expanding our intellectual horizons; and

WHEREAS: women's contribution to the quality of human life has borne fruit in the development of home and family life, and the stability and spontaneity of the American character; and

WHEREAS: we recognize that significant barriers to women's full participation in the society still exist and that further intensive efforts must be made to destroy these barriers; and

WHEREAS: we realize that a step in this direction has been made with the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: we call upon the female and male citizens of this great state to share together those attitudes of compassion and human understanding needed to achieve this goal;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the day of March 8, 1978 to be

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

in Minnesota.

FURTHERMORE, I urge all Minnesotans to appropriately observe this significant day reserved to commemorate the contributions women have made and continue to make for the enrichment of the quality of life for all personhood.

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 third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and of the State one hundred twentieth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

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