

WHEREAS: The young people in our state and throughout America should be motivated to read and acquire the basic skills necessary for responsible citizenship; and

WHEREAS: Some 20 million Americans are functionally illiterate, unable even to read a want ad; and

WHEREAS: 1979 is the International Year of the Child, a year for government, organizations and citizens to work together for children's welfare; and

WHEREAS: October 11, 1979, has been designated as National Reading is Fun Day to motivate young people to read; and

WHEREAS: Local Reading Is Fun projects in our state will be among thousands across the country distributing books to young people and promoting reading on October 11, 1979;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Albert H. Quie and Lou Wangberg, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 11, 1979 as

READING IS FUN DAY

in Minnesota, and urge the parents, teachers, organizations, local officials, business people and citizens of our state to celebrate the International Year of the Child by working to promote reading for all our nation's young people.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this eighth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine, and of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

Albert H. Quie

GOVERNOR

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