



Proclamation

WHEREAS: TREES WERE A SIGNIFICANT ATTRACTION TO MINNESOTA'S SETTLERS, BOTH FOR THEIR COMMERCIAL POTENTIAL AND FOR THE BEAUTIFUL ENVIRONMENT THEY PROVIDED; AND

WHEREAS: TREES ARE A MOST VALUABLE RESOURCE IN MINNESOTA TODAY, PURIFYING OUR AIR AND WATER, HELPING CONSERVE OUR SOIL AND ENERGY, SERVING AS RECREATIONAL SETTINGS, PROVIDING HABITAT FOR WILDLIFE OF ALL KINDS, AND ENRICHING OUR LIVES IN SO MANY IMPORTANT WAYS; AND

WHEREAS: DISEASE, INSECTS AND POLLUTION HAVE DAMAGED AND CONTINUE TO THREATEN OUR TREES, CREATING THE NEED FOR REFORESTATION PROGRAMS AND FOSTERING GREATER PUBLIC CONCERN FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR STATE'S FOREST RESOURCES; AND

WHEREAS: EACH YEAR, ON THE LAST FRIDAY OF APRIL - ARBOR DAY - THE PEOPLE OF MINNESOTA PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE WONDERFUL GIFT THAT OUR TREES REPRESENT AND DEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THE CONTINUED HEALTH OF OUR STATE'S STOCK OF TREES;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 1981 TO BE

ARBOR DAY

AND THE MONTH OF MAY, 1981 TO BE

ARBOR MONTH

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I URGE CITIZENS TO BECOME MORE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES TO THE WELL-BEING OF OUR STATE, AND TO PARTICIPATE IN TREE PLANTING PROGRAMS WHICH WILL ENSURE A GREEN MINNESOTA IN THE DECADES TO COME.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED THIS TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE, AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND.

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