



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Sportfishing provides healthful recreation for more than sixty million Americans of all ages; and

WHEREAS: Fishing promotes respect for our nation's waters, wilderness and wildlife; and

WHEREAS: Fishing is an established recreational tradition rooted deeply in the history of our country and the hearts of our citizenry; and

WHEREAS: Sportfishing, through the payment of millions of dollars annually for licenses, taxes and fees, has provided the funding for federal and state programs that contribute significantly to the preservation and protection of our natural environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the first week of June to be

NATIONAL FISHING WEEK

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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*John Anderson Howe*  
Secretary of State

in Minnesota.

Further, I urge all citizens to appropriately recognize the many significant contributions of sportfishing to our national well-being.

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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 nineteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-eighth.

*John Anderson Howe*

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR