



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Displaced homemakers are women and men who have spent a number of years caring for their families and homes, were dependent on a spouse or partner, have lost that support through death, divorce, separation, disability, or other loss of support, and must seek employment in order to become economically independent; and

WHEREAS: Displaced homemaker programs nationwide serve a group often not reached by other programs, aiding their participants in identifying and removing barriers, developing confidence, and learning the choices available to them in the move toward personal and financial independence; and

WHEREAS: The success of the Displaced Homemaker Program in Minnesota is illustrated by the fact that since the first program was established in 1978, more than 7,000 have been served, over 2,800 of them between July, 1987 and June, 1989; of those 33 percent began employment, 24 percent began job training or higher education, and another 13% were in a combination of training and employment activities; and

WHEREAS: With the help of funding from the Minnesota Legislature, administration of the Department of Jobs and Training, and policy input and guidance from the State Advisory Council and Directors' Association, two original pilots in 1978 have grown to twelve programs providing service to Minnesota's displaced homemakers; and

WHEREAS: Displaced Homemaker program administrators, staff, program participants, and support agencies from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan will gather in Minnesota on May 2-4 for the Region V Displaced Homemaker's Network Conference to "Envision 2000;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 29 through May 5, 1990 to be

DISPLACED HOMEMAKER WEEK

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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Jean Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

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 twenty-sixth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE

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