6 3 Proclamation In our grandparents' days, American inventiveness was a topic of WHEREAS: conversation and wonder throughout the civilized world; and One of the first acts of the Congress of the United States was to establish WHEREAS: the patent system under which American inventors have made outstanding contributions to the world's engineering, manufacturing and scientific projects; and The State of Minnesota wishes to express thanks to its own inventor-citizens for their contributions to the economy and welfare of this State and our Nation and to pay tribute to the United States Patent Incentives System, recalling the words of Abraham Lincoln: "The Patent System added the fuel of interest to the fire of genius"; WHEREAS . NOW THEREFORE, I, ARNE H. CARLSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of April, 1995 to be 11819 INVENTOR'S MONTH 01112 (MN) SECR DE ST in Minnesota and urge all citizens to observe this special month honoring those who have greatly enriched our lives. 53 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 first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five, and of the State the one hundred thirty-sixth. 9503445 GOVERNOR OF STATE SE RETARY