

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS:

President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California, and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS:

Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America, during the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election – a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS:

In 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

WHEREAS:

During Mr. Reagan's presidency he worked in a bipartisan manner to enact a bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government, which led to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

WHEREAS:

President Reagan's commitment to an active social policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS:

President Reagan's commitment to our armed forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's armed forces to meet twenty-first century challenges; and

WHEREAS:

President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people; and

WHEREAS:

February 6, 2007, will be the 96th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth, and the third since his passing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim, that Tuesday February 6, 2007, shall be observed as:

RONALD REAGAN DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



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 19th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventh, and of the State the one hundred forty-eighth.

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