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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 182

Creating a Governor's Task Force  
on Insurance and Health

I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, including, but not limited to Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 15.0593, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, the four leading causes of premature death and disability in Minnesota are heart disease, cancer, stroke, and accidents;

WHEREAS, medical care costs have risen sharply in recent years without achieving corresponding reductions in mortality and morbidity from the current leading causes;

WHEREAS, the ability of medical science to successfully intervene in advanced stages of chronic diseases or in serious injuries due to accidents continues to be limited;

WHEREAS, the rapidly increasing costs associated with health

insurance benefit plans have a detrimental effect upon the inflationary spiral;

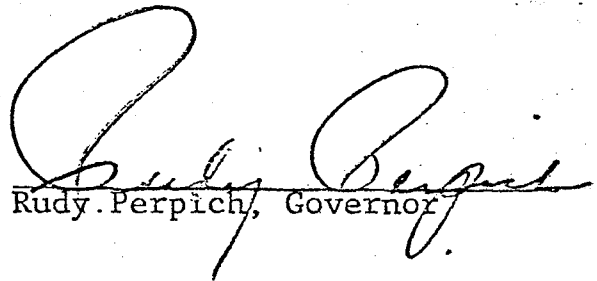
WHEREAS, known health risk factors can be significantly reduced by adopting more healthful personal lifestyle practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I order:

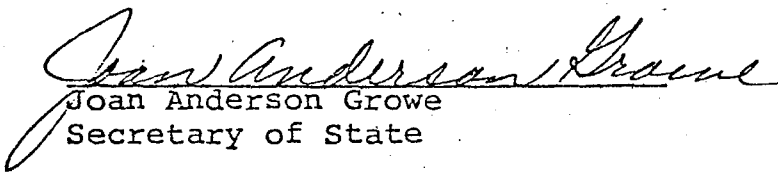
1. There is established a Governor's Task Force on Insurance and Health, consisting of 15 members to be appointed by the Governor.
2. The Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Health is designated as the Governor's Representative on the Task Force and as the Chairperson of the Task Force.
3. The Minnesota Department of Health shall provide staff support to the Task Force.
4. An assessment shall be made by the Task Force of ways in which various types of insurance can be utilized to provide positive incentives for the adoption of more healthful lifestyles.
5. The Task Force shall identify the primary preventive services appropriate for coverage in health insurance plans.
6. The Task Force shall identify ways in which insurers can meaningfully participate in the process of educating the public regarding the association between lifestyle practices and personal health.
7. The Task Force shall advise me of its progress on February 15, 1979, and shall provide me its final advice and recommendations on July 1, 1979.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 4.035, this order shall be effective 15 days after its publication in the State Register and shall remain in effect until it is rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, 1977 Supplement, Section 4.035 or 15.0593.

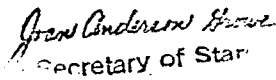
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this 3rd day of October, 1978.

  
Rudy Perpich, Governor

Filed According to Law:

  
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Secretary of State

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