

STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

A Proclamation for "National Mental Health Week"

WHEREAS, the Mental Health of our people is of major concern both from the point of view of individual happiness and that of public welfare; and

WHEREAS, the problem of maintaining and restoring mental health is of such serious nature necessitating not only the application of medical science but also involving family, community and other social and economic relationships if an adequate solution is to be achieved; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has in its public acts launched a program to improve the care and treatment of the mentally ill and to prevent mental illness wherever possible; and the last session of the Legislature has made outstanding contributions to the provision not only of facilities but of trained professional personnel to devote their efforts to the cause of mental health; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Mental Health Association of Minnesota is concerned with the development of increased interest in problems of mental health and with stimulating such activities as can contribute to their solution; and

AND WHEREAS, countless groups within church and civic organizations are likewise contributing the efforts of thousands of people to the promotion of mental health;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Neville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 1 to May 8, 1955, as

"NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH WEEK"

and urge all citizens to cooperate in the efforts of the Citizens Mental Health Association of Minnesota, to acquaint themselves with the importance of the mental health problem and the ways in which they can contribute to its solution and, thereby, contribute to greater human happiness and the public good.

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-seventh day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five and of the state, the ninety-seventh.

ATTEST:

Joseph L. Donovan
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Neville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

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P. M. 2:00 P.
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Joseph L. Donovan
Secretary of State

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