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Secretary of State

A PROCLAMATION FOR "POISON PREVENTION WEEK"

- WHEREAS, Minnesota's prime resource is its people, and the health and well-being of that resource must be carefully guarded at all times and in all circumstances; and
- WHEREAS, each year great numbers of Minnesota children swallow substances which are harmful or deadly, bringing needless tragedy and loss of life to households which could have been spared such sadness through the prudent practice of keeping poisonous substances out of the reach of children; and
- WHEREAS, poison has threatened the lives of our children to the extent that it has become a public menace, prompting a resolution approved by Congress to "encourage the American people to learn of the dangers of accidental poisoning and to take such preventative measures as are warranted by the seriousness of the danger;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer L. Andersen, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 18 through 24, 1962 as

"POISON PREVENTION WEEK"

in Minnesota and urge all citizens to alert themselves to the dangers of potential poisoning accidents in the home, especially those which affect the lives and health of young children.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two and of the state, the one hundred fourth.

Elmer L. Andersen
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Donovan
SECRETARY OF STATE