

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: our greatest resource is our children; and one of the world's most benevolent guardians and servants of that resource is the SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN AND BURNS INSTITUTES, and

WHEREAS: twenty-two Shrine hospitals throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico are dedicated to the great task of curing or improving afflicted children, without regard to race or creed, and

WHEREAS: more than 160,000 patients have been treated and returned to society either cured or materially aided, and

WHEREAS: without any tax dollars or public solicitation, Shriners have raised millions to support this program. Since the idea was born in the city of Minneapolis in 1923 -- to the present -- hope has been given back to many frightened families and to many tragically afflicted children, and

WHEREAS: in the Twin Cities during the last year, 268 children were admitted to the hospital and 2,263 children received care in the out-patient clinic. This labor of love and compassion has earned worldwide tribute for the Shriners. Their work is, indeed, "The world's most rewarding philanthropy."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby designate Sunday, May 21, 1972 as

INTERNATIONAL SHRINE HOSPITAL DAY

in Minnesota. I ask all citizens to visit the SHRINERS HOSPITAL FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN between 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM on this special day to give witness of their appreciation for this great celebration of life.

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 eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two, and of the State, the one hundred and fifteenth.

Wendell R. Anderson  
GOVERNOR

Arlen J. Erdahl  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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