



Proclamation

REAS: birth defects strike the youngest and most defenseless members of our society in great numbers, constituting the nation's most serious child health problem; and

REAS: the National Foundation-March of Dimes seeks to prevent birth defects; and

REAS: the generosity of millions of Americans has supported this goal; and

REAS: these contributions have made possible a broad spectrum of programs in public and professional education, community services, medical service, and research; and

REAS: much still needs to be done in order to help the more than 200,000 American infants born each year with a serious mental or physical disorder;

THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim January, 1976 as

MARCH OF DIMES BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION MONTH

Minnesota, and ask all citizens to join me during our nation's Bicentennial Year in working hard the day when every individual will have what should be one of mankind's basic rights... right to a healthy birth.

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 sixteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-six and of the State the one hundred eighteenth.

Wendell R. Anderson

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