



Proclamation

WHEREAS: *hypertension is recognized as a major affliction producing premature sickness, disability and death and is a leading cause of kidney disease, heart disease, and stroke; and*

WHEREAS: *an estimated 300,000 citizens of the State of Minnesota have high blood pressure; many of these citizens are unaware that they have this disease, and only about 38,000 are now receiving adequate treatment; and*

WHEREAS: *15 percent of the adult population over the age of 18 in our communities suffer from high blood pressure; and*

WHEREAS: *high blood pressure is the leading cause of death among black citizens in Minnesota and across the United States; and*

WHEREAS: *the knowledge, medications, and other treatments are available to effectively detect and control this disease so that those who have high blood pressure can take preventive measures;*

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

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE MONTH

in Minnesota and strongly urge all citizens as well as medical, scientific, and health care professions, and voluntary organizations to observe this month by efforts to detect and control this major health problem.

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

Wendell R. Anderson

GOVERNOR

Jan Anderson Krause
SECRETARY OF STATE

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