



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: alcohol is the nation's No. 1 drug problem; and
- WHEREAS: there are ten million Americans suffering from alcoholism, problem drinking is on the rise among the young, and this illness is costing the nation's economy \$25 billion a year; and
- WHEREAS: half of all traffic fatalities, half of all murders, one-third of all suicides and one-half of all arrests are alcohol-related; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota leads all other states in recognizing and treating alcoholism and chemical dependency; and
- WHEREAS: alcoholism is recognized as an illness by the American Bar Association, the American Hospital Association, the American Medical Association, the American Psychiatric Association, the Department of Defense, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare including the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, the National Council on Alcoholism, the World Health Organization, the United States Jaycees and the United States Jayceettes; and
- WHEREAS: there is an urgent need to develop programs and activities to prevent alcohol dependency and
- WHEREAS: responsible, healthy and safe drinking habits and attitudes are encouraged for those who choose to use alcoholic beverages; and
- WHEREAS: the people of Minnesota earnestly seek human improvement and dignity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 24 - 30, 1976 to be

ALCOHOL AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AWARENESS WEEK

in Minnesota.

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 fourteenth day of September 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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