



Proclamation

WHEREAS: the lives of thousands of Minnesotans are threatened each year by the accidental ingestion of or contact with poisonous substances; and

WHEREAS: children from infancy to five years of age are the most frequent ingestors of poisonous or potentially poisonous substances; and

WHEREAS: our state government agencies have been working for years with their local and federal government counterparts and other state-wide organizations in programs to inform our citizens about the potential of these hazardous substances when not used as directed; and

WHEREAS: the Hennepin Poison Center of the Hennepin County Medical Center, as a regional center of the National Poison Center Network, is engaged in an ongoing program of introducing Mr. Yuk, a poison warning symbol for children, and conducting a major public education program on poison prevention;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 19 through March 25, 1978 to be

POISON PREVENTION WEEK

in Minnesota.

FURTHERMORE, I call upon the appropriate agencies of the state government, local governments and private organizations to continue their efforts to publicize and prevent poisoning hazards, and emphasize the need to properly use child resistant packaging for medicines and potentially hazardous household products.

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 ninth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and of the State the one hundred twentieth.

Rudy Perpich

GOVERNOR

Jean Anderson Stearns

SECRETARY OF STATE

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