

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: sickle cell anemia is a congenital and incurable blood disease which affects persons of African and Mediterranean descent; and

WHEREAS: persons of African and Mediterranean descent live in the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: the people of Minnesota have demonstrated their concern for the health and welfare of all citizens; and

WHEREAS: the Minnesota Foundation for Sickle Cell Anemia is working to educate the general public about sickle cell anemia, and is working to gain the support of the public, in its endeavors to find a cure for this disease; and

WHEREAS: increased efforts in research will lead to less pain and longevity of life for thousands of citizens, particularly Black Americans; and

WHEREAS: all potential sickle cell anemia victims are encouraged to be tested for this disease; and

WHEREAS: any health problem, such as sickle cell anemia, that affects 10% of the entire population should be the concern and care of everyone;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 1978 to be

## SICKLE CELL ANEMIA MONTH


in Minnesota, and heartily welcome all delegates, members and affiliates of the National Association for Sickle Cell Disease to our state.

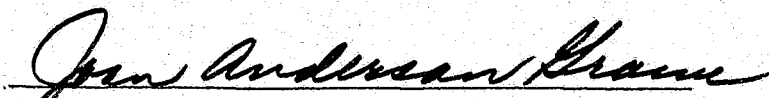
FURTHERMORE, I urge all citizens to support the efforts of the Minnesota Foundation for Sickle Cell Anemia to find a cure for this disease.

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

  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
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