



# 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 poison or potentially poisonous substances; and

WHEREAS: The skull and crossbones symbol, a traditional warning of poison, has little negative meaning for today's children, instead representing the excitement of pirates and high adventure; and

WHEREAS: The National Poison Center Network has developed a new, effective poison warning symbol for children known as Mr. Yuk, and the Hennepin Poison Center serves as a regional center within the national network to conduct a major on-going public education program on poison prevention, highlighting Mr. Yuk;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 1979, to be

## MINNESOTA POISON PREVENTION MONTH

and strongly commend all persons and community organizations whose efforts make this worthwhile program possible.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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FEB 20 1979  
*Jean Anderson Graw*  
Secretary of State

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 twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine and of the State the one hundred twenty-first.

*Albert H. Quie*

GOVERNOR

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O.D.*

*Jean Anderson Graw*

SECRETARY OF STATE