WHEREAS: Child abuse is a tragedy of tremendous proportions which afflicts this State and the entire nation; and

WHEREAS: Child abuse is a pervasive phenomenon — the mental and physical agony it brings to both the abused and the abuser do not respect lines of race or sex or economic background; and

WHEREAS: The detection of child abuse is an extremely difficult and delicate matter, which can hinder treatment of both the abused and the abuser, and impede attempts to carefully quantify the problem's scope; and

WHEREAS: Child abuse is a problem without a simple solution, a challenge to every Minnesotan who values human dignity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 2 through September 8, 1979, to be

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in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to become better informed of the many aspects of this problem, so that all children of our State will have the chance they deserve to mature into happy, productive, well-adjusted adults.

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 Capital this tenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine, and of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

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