WHEREAS: Sickle Cell Anemia is a hereditary, incurable blood disorder affecting persons of African and Mediterranean descent, as well as other near east countries; and

WHEREAS: Sickle Cell Anemia has physical, emotional, and social implications; and

WHEREAS: Potential carriers reside in the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Foundation for Sickle Cell Anemia educates, screens, counsels, and increases the awareness of all persons, and

WHEREAS: Sickle Cell crises syndrome is more pronounced during infancy to early childhood; and

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Albert H. Quie and Lou Wangberg, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 1979, to be

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in Minnesota, and encourage all citizens to become more aware of this incurable blood disorder and urge potential sickle cell carriers to be tested, especially those of child-bearing age.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this tenth day of September 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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