

WHEREAS: Spina Bifida, which means spine split in two, is a congenital defect affecting more than 11,000 children born in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS: In the past decade hundreds of parents of children affected by spina bifida formed state associations to assure adequate medical care for the newborn victims and to counsel parents new to the problem; and

WHEREAS: The Spina Bifida Association of Minnesota shares ideas on home care and training, sponsor talks by medical and educational experts, and conducts a public education program to promote a better understanding;

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

SPINA BIFIDA AWARENESS MONTH

in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to be aware of the events planned in its observance.

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 sixth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine, and of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

*Albert H. Quie*

GOVERNOR

*Lou Wangberg*

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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