



## 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 poisonous and potentially poisonous substances; and

WHEREAS: Our state government agencies have been working for years with their local and federal government counterparts and other statewide organizations in programs to inform our citizens about the potential of these hazardous substances when not used as directed; and

WHEREAS: Joining together in support of Poison Prevention Week are the Hennepin Poison Center of Hennepin County Medical Center, the Minneapolis Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Minneapolis/St. Paul Regional Office of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Minneapolis/St. Paul Regional Headquarters of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the Minnesota Hospital Association, the Minnesota Medical Association, the Minnesota Nurses' Association, the Minnesota Office of Consumer Services, the Minnesota Poison Control System, the Minnesota State Pharmaceutical Association, and the St. Paul Chapter of the American Red Cross;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 20 through March 26, 1983, to be

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in Minnesota. Further, I call upon the appropriate agencies of state and local government and private organizations to continue their efforts to publicize and prevent poisoning hazards and emphasize the need to properly use child resistant packaging for medicines and potentially hazardous household products.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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Joan Anderson  
Secretary

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 twenty-third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three, and of the State the one hundred twenty-fifth.

*Joan Anderson*  
Secretary

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR