



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Myasthenia Gravis (M.G.) is a chronic and potentially deadly neuromuscular disease affecting approximately 240,000 people in the United States without regard to race, age, sex, or economic background; and

WHEREAS: Myasthenia Gravis (from the Greek and Latin words meaning "serious muscle weakness") is the most undiagnosed and misdiagnosed disease today, being marked by progressive weakness and abnormally rapid fatigue of the voluntary muscles and displaying a baffling array of symptoms including tiredness, drooping eyelids, blurred and double vision, loss of balance, slurred speech, difficulty in walking, swallowing, chewing and breathing; and

WHEREAS: There are treatments but no cure to Myasthenia Gravis, we must work rapidly toward a greater awareness, understanding and cure for this formerly often fatal crippling disease; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Myasthenia Gravis Foundation seeks to assist those suffering from and those treating individuals with this neuromuscular disease by increasing awareness and information, and by contributing to Myasthenia Gravis research;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1983, to be

MYASTHENIA GRAVIS MONTH

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
FILED
JUN 21 1983
Joan Anderson Thorne
Secretary of State

in Minnesota.

FURTHER, I urge citizens to observe this month with increased awareness of Myasthenia Gravis and the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation through continued support and appropriate activities and ceremonies.

Joan Anderson Thorne
Rudy Perpich

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
hand and caused the Great Seal of the St
of Minnesota to be affixed at the State
this fifth day of July in the year of ou