

Proclamation

WHEREAS: One Minnesota citizen in 200 is estimated to carry double genes that cause accumulation of excessive iron resulting in disease of the liver, heart, sex glands, pancreas and the joints with ultimate death if untreated; and

WHEREAS: Our state's carrier rate of the single hemochromatosis gene is estimated at 13 percent; and

WHEREAS: Many doctors and their patients are not aware of this high incidence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 15, 1985, to be

IRON OVERLOAD AWARENESS DAY

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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in Minnesota and urge all Minnesota citizens to participate in protecting their health by informing themselves of this common but underdiagnosed disease.

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Secretary of State

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 fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

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