

Proclamation

Most of those suffering brain injuries face a lifetime of medical problems associated with paralysis, allergies, speech and vision problems, and memory failures; and WHEREAS:

WHEREAS: A Chance to Grow, a Minnesota, non-profit parent self-help organization that seeks healing-not the status quo-for the brain-injured individuals in Minnesota and the Midwest, advocates the funding of central nervous system research for walking, talking and thinking, and promotes active physical and speech therapy that can reverse many of the debilitating effects of a brain injury; and

WHEREAS: A Chance to Grow believes that a brain-injured individual's family and his or her surrounding community offer the best therapeutic environment for supporting that person through the difficult journey toward wellness; and

WHEREAS: A Chance to Grow sponsors the Josephine Kretsch Library on Brain Injury, a layman's library on brain injury information to assist victims and their families in understanding this trauma; and

A Chance to Grow publishes an annual newspaper containing medical information WHEREAS: pertaining to all brain-injured individuals and personal stories from families with brain-injured children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the second week of April to be

CHANCE TO GROW FOR THE BRAIN-INJURED WEEK

in Minnesota in recognition of the need to make the public aware of brain injuries in hope that more care is taken in preventive medicine, sports, and driving so these kinds of injuries are avoided.

> 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-first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-

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