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WHEREAS: Child abuse touches us all, directly or indirectly, and the costs are enormous; and

WHEREAS: Child abuse is occurring with greater frequency in Minnesota than most people realize;

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WHEREAS: Violent behavior toward children can be modified when people accept responsibility for

their actions and seek alternative ways to deal with stress and anger; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is a state that has many resources to assist people who are willing to

reach out for help; and

The Minnesota Chapter of the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse has prepared campaigns to prevent violence toward children; WHEREAS:

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

> CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

and May 10th to be

BE SAFE AT HOME DAY

in Minnesota, and I urge every citizen to support this campaign; thereby evolving an era of family harmony in this state.

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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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-fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred tv-seventh.

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