



Proclamation

WHEREAS: The people of Minnesota have a tradition of providing a meaningful life for all stroke victims; and

WHEREAS: Stroke is the third leading cause of death in Minnesota, and one out of every five Minnesotans will experience a stroke in his or her lifetime, but two out of three will survive their strokes; and

WHEREAS: More than seventy percent of stroke survivors live with some degree of physical, cognitive or neurological disability for an average of five to seven years; and

WHEREAS: The incidence of stroke doubles in each successive decade for persons over the age of 55, the fastest growing segment of our population; and

WHEREAS: The losses associated with stroke place stress upon the entire family and others in community life; and

WHEREAS: Stroke clubs, support groups and rehabilitation services improve the quality of life and can save billions of dollars annually in health care and associated costs; and

WHEREAS: Increased public awareness of the opportunities and benefits to stroke survivors and their families from improved services will continue the honorable Minnesota tradition of caring for its citizens;

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

STROKE AWARENESS MONTH

in Minnesota.

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Jean Anderson Howe
Secretary 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 third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-eighth.

Jean Anderson Howe
Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR