



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: The health and safety of families is of paramount importance in our society; and

WHEREAS: Nurse-midwives have practiced in this country since coming to the mountains of eastern Kentucky in 1925; and

WHEREAS: Childbearing families have found nurse-midwives responsive to their wishes for more participatory maternity care; and

WHEREAS: Certified nurse-midwives have demonstrated their ability to give high quality care to normal mothers and babies throughout the maternity cycle; and

WHEREAS: Certified nurse-midwives' emphasis on health teaching and high quality care for well mothers and babies makes them a valuable part of the health care team; and

WHEREAS: Certified nurse-midwives' contributions in providing care to socially and economically disadvantaged women have been recognized by Congress and state legislatures; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes the unique contribution that nurse-midwives have made to mothers and babies in the United States during the past half-century; and

WHEREAS: The American College of Nurse-Midwives is celebrating the first week of November as National Nurse-Midwifery Week, using the theme of "Nurse Midwives Care for Women";

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

NURSE - MIDWIFERY WEEK

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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*Jean Anderson Howe*  
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 twenty-eighth day of October 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  
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