



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS: Certified nurse-midwives have demonstrated their ability to provide high quality care to women and infants throughout their childbearing years; and

WHEREAS: Certified nurse-midwives' commitment to personalized care, ongoing patient and family education, and promotion of individual responsibility for health makes them a valuable part of the health care team and makes their services increasingly in demand by the public; and

WHEREAS: Nurse-midwifery has a proven record in reducing infant mortality and morbidity; and

WHEREAS: Certified nurse-midwives' contributions in providing care to socially and economically disadvantaged women have been recognized by the federal government and national leaders in public health; 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 has declared the first week of October as National Nurse-Midwifery Week, using the theme of "Take Good Care of Yourself with Today's Nurse-Midwives";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 4 through October 10 to be

NURSE - MIDWIFERY WEEK

in Minnesota.

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-second day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven, and of the State the one hundred twenty-ninth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA

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