

## **Proclamation**

All levels of society are vulnerable to suicide, which is the eighth leading cause of death for all ages and the second leading cause of death among young people; and WHĘREAS:

There are 30,000 reported suicide deaths in the nation every year and 536 reported in the State of Minnesota. This represents not only a tragic waste of human life, but untold suffering for the family and friends; and WHEREAS:

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The American Association of Suicidology is an organization of professionals and concerned others who share a conviction that risk for human self-destruction can be reduced through awareness and education; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 1988 to be

SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK

in Minnesota.

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 eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteenight and of the State the area. eighty-eight, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

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