



Proclamation

WHEREAS: During the week of May 16 - 22, 1988, the National Coalition to Prevent Childhood Injury has scheduled a local and national Campaign to increase public awareness of the high incidence of accidental injury among children; and

WHEREAS: Each year, nearly 8,000 children under age fifteen die from injuries sustained in accidents, thereby making unintentional injuries and trauma the leading killer of children in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Approximately one in four children under the age of 15 receives an injury serious enough to require medical attention; and

WHEREAS: Accident prevention and expert pediatric emergency care can significantly reduce needless deaths which occur each year as the result of accidents among children in this country; and

WHEREAS: The incidence of childhood accidental injury doubles during the trauma season, the time when children are released from school for summer vacation and spend a great deal of their recreational hours outdoors; and

WHEREAS: The sponsors of this campaign believe that it is critically important to focus attention on the problem of accidental injury, the need for preventive measures, and the need to educate the public on prevention and emergency;

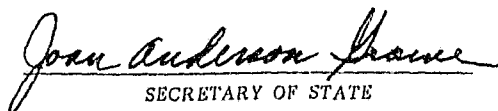
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May 16 - 22, 1988 to be

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in Minnesota and call upon all the residents of this great state to join with me in supporting the aims, goals and programs of the National Coalition to Prevent Childhood Injury, for the benefit of our state's Most precious resource, its children.

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

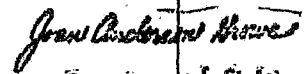

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