

## **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: It is estimated that by 1991 more than 2,000 Minnesotans will diagnosed with AIDS and

thousands more will carry the HIV antibody; and

The United States Surgeon General and other public health officials agree that AIDS cannot be spread by casual contact such as shaking hands, and that AIDS-prevention  ${\bf r}$ WHEREAS:

education programs are important to the public; and

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The Minnesota AIDS Project has been nationally recognized for its leadership and innovative prevention and service programs providing education to the community and direct services to people who have diagnosed with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) illnesses, and their families, friends, and loved ones; and

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Community-based care, prevention education and service organizations including the Minnesota AIDS Project, the Greater North AIDS Project, Rochester AIDS Volunteer Project, Central Minnesota AIDS Project, AIDS Action Council, AIDS Interfaith Council, Aliveness Project, American Red Cross/St. Paul Area Chapter, Minnesota Hemophilia Association, National AIDS Network, National Association of People with AIDS, University of Minnesota AIDS Research, World Health Organization/AIDS Program, Council of Black Minnesotans, Minnesota Indian AIDS Task Force, Asian Pacific Task Force on AIDS, Hispanic Advocacy Committee on AIDS, Minneapolis Urban League, and the St. Paul Urban League, have been providing quality AIDS eduation and services under difficult circumstances; and

WHEREAS:

On Sunday, May 22, the Minnesota AIDS Project is sponsoring the largest AIDS fundraising event in Minnesota, FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE '88, a pledge walk to benefit AIDS care, research and education, which will allow members of our community to demonstrate their support for all people affected by this illness;

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

MINNESOTA AIDS WALK DAY

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 eighteenth day of May 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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