STATE OF MINNESOTA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT SAINT PAUL



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the good of the State is intimately related to the health and welfare of its citizens, and

WHEREAS, cancer has risen in the last twenty-five years from sixth place in the mortality tables to second place as a cause of death, killing 150,000 persons in the nation and 3,789 in this state in 1937, and

WHEREAS, conservative medical authorities are agreed that between one-third and one-half of those who die of cancer could be saved by early diagnosis and treatment, and

WHEREAS, there has been formed in this state by public spirited women aided by distinguished physicians representing the State Medical Society, a Division of the Women's Field Army of the American Society for the Control of Cancer to carry out a program of sound education against this malignant disease,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer A. Benson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do set aside the period from

April 1st to 30th, 1938

as

CANCER CONTROL MONTH

in the state of Minnesota and I call upon all citizens, the newspapers, and all agencies concerned with the problem of public health to support during this month the activities of the Minnesota Division of the Women's Field Army.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed this 1st day of April, 1938.

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