

STATE of MINNESOTA

WHEREAS: In the United States, it is estimated that more than 72,000 people are currently

living with stomach cancer; and

WHEREAS: Stomach cancer is included among the cancers marked by very low five-year

survival rates; and

WHEREAS: Out of the 24,500 individuals diagnosed each year in the United States, 11,000

will die within the first year; and

WHEREAS: Eighty percent of stomach cancer is diagnosed at stage IV, a stage which has only

a four percent five-year survival rate; and

WHEREAS: Stomach cancer has increased in young adults ages 25 to 39 by seventy percent

since 1977; and

WHEREAS: The overall survival rate for stomach cancer is 28 percent, and mortality rates

have remained relatively unchanged over the past 30 years with stomach cancer

continuing to be one of the leading causes of cancer related death; and

WHEREAS: Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer is a nonprofit organization

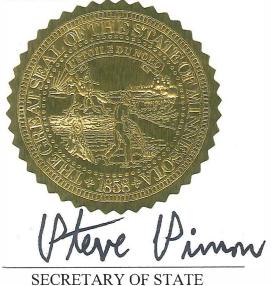
dedicated to raising awareness about stomach cancer, advancing funding for research, and providing education and support internationally to patients, families, and caregivers, while pursuing the ultimate goal of making the cure for

stomach cancer a reality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2016 as:

CURING STOMACH CANCER MONTH

in the State of 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 10th day of November.

GOVERNOR