



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The public health community protects and improves the health of all people, and strives to help communities be great places to live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS: Public health promotes the health and longevity of Minnesotans by improving immunization rates, identifying and controlling environmental health hazards and infectious diseases, improving the health of mothers and children, and promoting healthy behaviors; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota's public health professionals are developing new strategies to detect and control disease outbreaks, addressing emerging environmental contaminants, providing valuable information to people about health care costs and quality, preparing for large-scale emergencies, and promoting healthy communities; and

WHEREAS: The public health community fights against health inequities shaped by social, economic, and environmental disparities, and political conditions and institutional racism; and

WHEREAS: Health inequities are most frequently experienced by people of color; American Indians; rural Minnesotans; immigrants and refugees; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer communities; and people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: Public health regulation is a critical tool for building and sustaining safe and healthy communities for the State of Minnesota and beyond.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 2-8, 2018, as:

PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



Steve Pinn
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 19th day of March.

Mark Dayton
GOVERNOR